



## **EARLYBIRDS PRESCHOOL**

### **TRUSTEES REPORT 2021 – 2022**

Earlybirds Preschool has continued to provide high quality, child focused early years education during the report period. We regained normality after the 2020 Coronavirus pandemic and during the 21/22 academic year had 30 children registered with the setting. As with the natural progression of children in early years setting, we had 17 children leave to start Infant School. The number anticipated to quickly recover with the new intake in September 2022 bringing the number of children attending to 23 with an expected further increase.

#### **Management Committee**

The Committee remained unchanged over the year and continued to support the provision of the preschool with their expertise and involvement.

The preschool was Ofsted inspected in September 2019 and the Leader managed the preschool team to continue to deliver the early years provision while continually monitoring and reviewing the standards within setting against the setting development plan.

Children's data has continued to be monitored for areas of improvement and learning & development opportunities within the staff team.

The preschool continues to receive positive feedback from parents and guardians, including the feedback questions which are issued 2 weeks after enrolment.

#### **Staffing**

We have an established staff team with Leader, Deputy Leader, Administrator with 2 members of staff being recruited. 1 staff member left but due to the role being minimal hours, was not fulfilled.

Agency staff fees have been used to cover sickness absence where required but this is anticipated to reduce.

Following the Coronavirus pandemic, Volunteers have not been reestablished in setting. This may be reviewed in the future.

## **Accounts**

The number of children in setting has been high and therefore the preschool has generated a healthy income along with the local authority Early Years Funding, we continue to be financially stable.

Our landlord (the adjoining Infant School/Local Authority) issued a rent increase which was back dated for a 3-year period This meant a large invoice and a substantial cost to the preschool during this year. Due to the preschool management committee ensuring the financial security has been planned, a reserve account was able to cover the cost and the reserve account continues to recover and provide financial stability.

The preschool continues to offer breakfast club and after school club to working parents/guardian's which provides further income for the preschool while serving as essential childcare for working families. The financial benefit of this service continues to be monitored and evaluated to ensure its cost effectiveness.

## **Outside Activities**

As yet, following the coronavirus pandemic, outside activities have not yet returned to pre-covid levels however, we continue to explore our local community and rural environment with the children enjoying trips and activities in their local surroundings. We are fortunate enough to enjoy a rural environment, with the children visiting our local park, church and village area on a regular basis.

We continue to provide a good level of social development while holding seasonal celebrations including a Christmas party with magician and entertainment, end of school year celebrations and preschool graduation.

## **Fundraising**

Following the cancellation of funding raising in 2020, we have not yet established new fundraising events and the Friends of Newtown School (FONS Committee) has not yet reconvened. We hope that this will be reestablished and provide the preschool with funds for investment in new equipment for the children or contribute towards some activities/experiences with a learning focus.

## **Thank you**

We continue to thank the committee, staff team, parents and local community for their support to ensure the preschool stays in a financially secure position to provide high quality early years education in our rural community.





## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period  
from

21/08/2021

To

20/08/2022

### Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Funding	48,130	-	-	48,130	54,409
Parent Payments	18,912	-	-	18,912	17,783
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>67,042</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>67,042</b>	<b>72,192</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>67,042</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>67,042</b>	<b>72,192</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Advertising - Recruitment	16	-	-	16	-
Expenses	400	-	-	400	403
HMRC	4,619	-	-	4,619	5,523
Maintenance	-	-	-	-	-
Memberships	1,035	-	-	1,035	937
Mobile	-	-	-	-	-
Pension	3,050	-	-	3,050	3,443
Rent	7,325	-	-	7,325	2,372
Resources	4,307	-	-	4,307	2,375
Supply Staff	3,030	-	-	3,030	704
Training	370	-	-	370	294
Uniform	-	-	-	-	158
Utilities	-	-	-	-	-
Wages - Staff	43,344	-	-	43,344	49,197
Website	1,597	-	-	1,597	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>69,094</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>69,094</b>	<b>65,406</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>69,094</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>69,094</b>	<b>65,406</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>- 2,051</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>- 2,051</b>	<b>6,786</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>37,716</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>37,716</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>35,665</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>35,665</b>	<b>6,786</b>

## Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

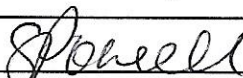
Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Treasurers Account	18,494	-	
	Reserve Account	17,171	-	
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>35,665</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature

Print Name

Date of approval

  
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SARAH POWELL

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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

Charity Name

EARLY BIRDS PRESCHOOL (NEWTOWN)

On accounts for the year  
ended

20. 8. 2022

Charity no  
(if any)

1083648

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above  
charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 20 / 08 / 2022

Responsibilities and  
basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation  
of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act  
2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out  
under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I  
have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission  
under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent  
examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have  
come to my attention (other than that disclosed below \*) in connection with  
the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material  
respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of  
the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection  
with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a  
proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

J Przybycin

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2/2/2024

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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.