

Charity Registration No.

1096370

STAR NURSERY AND PLAYSCHOOL

ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Star Nursery and playschool is an unincorporated registered charity number 1096370

Trustees

Alison Sheridan (Chair)
Michelle Oates
Jenny Busby
Shanel Allthorpe
Emma Butler
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Charity number 1096370

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF STAR NURSERY AND PLAYSCHOOL FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

Structure, governance and management

Star-Nursery and playschool is a charity, governed by a formal constitution. The charity is managed by a committee of which there are four members, a full time Manager, Deputy Manager and a third In charge. Each new committee member has to be elected by two existing committee members. All committee members are given a copy of the Charities constitution and must be DBS cleared to prove their suitability to OFSTED. Committee members are also asked to read the policies of the setting. The committee have regular meetings to discuss the Nursery. The management team work closely with Hampshire County Council and OFSTED to ensure correct policies and procedures are followed within the setting. They ensure staff have the appropriate training and have read all policies/procedures before joining the Setting and are informed of any updates as they are announced. They work closely with the Honeycomb Children's Centre to ensure the best outcomes for the children in the setting. The committee meet regularly to do building risk assessments, daily risk assessments are carried out by management.

Objectives

Star-Nursery and Playschool aims to provide a safe and secure environment with lots of available resources for the children to assist with their learning and development.

To ensure all areas of the EYFS are being met.

To build good working relationships with our parents/carers to ensure the best possible outcomes for their children.

To build good working relationships with outside agencies to ensure we are meeting children's individual needs.

To maintain the standards and guidelines set up by OFSTED.

To regularly reflect upon and develop the Nursery.

To ensure all staff attend at least 4 training courses per year.

Main activities undertaken for the public benefit

The Nursery provides spaces for 2, 3 and 4 year old grant funded children. The area in which we are situated is classed as a deprived area. We still have a good number of 2 year olds attending the Nursery. We work closely with Chiltern Primary School to ensure smooth transitions for our school leavers, the reception teacher visits the children once a week through July to help with the transition period, the children also visit the school throughout this time. TPA's are done with the school by the SEN for the children who need extra support, this gives the school a bit of background on the child and what they may need to put into place to ensure a smooth transition.

Policies are updated regularly and kept in our reception area where parents can access them.

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Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The Nursery is back to full working capacity after COVID. In September 2021, we had a good intake of children and this continued rising steadily throughout the year. We had a waiting list for September 2022 and numbers are good.

We held a small Christmas fayre at the Nursery as many parents/carers are still wary of COVID. There was a good turn out and we made a little money which went towards the children's Christmas parties.

We are still running the food bank, and have now expanded this to outside the Nursery as we have had many parents come to us who are struggling at this current time. We have a unit with shelving, which is positioned in the child collection area, so parents can help themselves to the available items.

We have started to implement the Curiosity Approach in the Nursery and one of our practitioners is undertaking a course to understand and share this with other practitioners in the Nursery.

The Curiosity Approach is about igniting a child's natural curiosity to explore the world around them. Instead of directing children, and telling them what to do, the Curiosity Approach is based on child-led learning. Therefore, children make their own choices, and figure things out for themselves, which leads to enhanced confidence, critical thinking, and problem solving skills.

By creating active learners, children are more engaged in their environment and have a lot more fun. They are in charge of their own development and choose activities which play to their own interests. The world is changing for our young children and they are living in a fast-paced society.

On 14th June 2022 we had an OFSTED inspection, and were pleased to be awarded with a grading of good. It has been hard on all practitioners since coming back after COVID, so this was a really positive outcome and we are implementing improvements needed to work towards an outstanding outcome.

Financial review and Reserves policy

During the year, the charity made a deficit of £20,197, which has been deducted from reserves.

The trustees and management team recognise the continued financial struggle and are implementing cost savings and fundraising ideas. The trustees will continue to keep reserves under close review and have measures in place to ensure the going concern of the charity.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees

Alison Sheridan – Chairperson

Date: 30 June 2023

Alison Sheridan

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Independent examiner's report to the Trustees of Star Nursery and Playschool

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Star Nursery and Playschool (the Trust) for the year ended 31 August 2022, which are set out on pages 5 to 12. Since the company's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, which is one of the listed bodies.

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

Independent examiner's statement – matter of concern identified

I have completed my examination. I have identified a matter of concern in my report concerning the charity struggling financially, which is evidenced by the Balance Sheet reporting negative funds of £18,032 at 31 August 2022. At the date of my review, I have been informed by the Trustees that pupil numbers and funding has increased, applications are being made for further funding and cost cutting measures are in place. Funds are being monitored closely, however the risk that the charity may not be a going concern is still prevalent.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no other material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- (1) accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- (2) the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- (3) the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

J E Harris FCCA

30 June 2023

Knight Goodhead Chartered Accountants, 7 Bournemouth Road, Chandlers Ford, Eastleigh, Hampshire SO53 3DA

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

(Including Income and Expenditure account)

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds 2022 £	Total funds 2021 £
INCOME					
Charitable activities	3	94,700	215,764	310,464	274,751
TOTAL INCOME		94,700	215,764	310,464	274,751
EXPENDITURE					
Charitable activities	5	114,897	215,764	330,661	286,924
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		114,897	215,764	330,661	286,924
NET DEFICIT FOR THE YEAR		(20,197)	-	(20,197)	(12,173)
TOTAL FUND BALANCES BROUGHT FORWARD		2,165	-	2,165	14,338
TOTAL FUND BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD		(18,032)	-	(18,032)	2,165

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derives from continuing activities.

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PRIOR YEAR STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

(Including Income and Expenditure account)

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds 2021 £
INCOME				
Charitable activities	3	54,952	219,799	274,751
TOTAL INCOME		54,952	219,799	274,751
EXPENDITURE				
Charitable activities	5	67,125	219,799	286,924
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		67,125	219,799	286,924
NET DEFICIT FOR THE YEAR		(12,173)	-	(12,173)
TOTAL FUND BALANCES BROUGHT FORWARD		14,338	-	14,338
TOTAL FUND BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD		2,165	-	2,165

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REGISTERED NUMBER : 1096370

BALANCE SHEET AT 31 AUGUST 2022

	Notes	£	2022 £	£	2021 £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	6		-		120
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	7	14,401		8,518	
Cash at bank and in hand		250		250	
		14,651		-8,768	
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one period	8	(32,683)		(6,723)	
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES			(18,032)		2,045
NET (LIABILITIES) / ASSETS			(18,032)		2,165
FUNDS					
General funds			(18,032)		2,165
Restricted funds	9				
TOTAL FUNDS	10		(18,032)		2,165

The financial statements have been independently examined under the requirements of s.145 of the Charities Act 2011.

Approved by the Trustees on 30 June 2023
and signed on their behalf by

Allison Sheridan
Chair

Allison Sheridan

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective October 2019) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)).

The charity meets the definition of the public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note.

The accounts have been prepared on the going concern basis. There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue other than those identified in the Independent examination report.

(b) Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor.

(c) Income

All income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

Donations and legacies are received by way of grants, donations, legacies and gifts and is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when receivable. Grants, when entitlement is not conditional on the delivery of a specific performance by the charity, are recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant.

Investment income is included when receivable.

Resources are deferred when, at the end of an accounting period, they have been received but the charity has yet to become unconditionally entitled to them.

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1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

(d) Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as a liability is incurred. It includes any VAT paid.

Costs are apportioned in line with the income received from that source during the year.

Charitable activities expenditure comprises of those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

All costs are allocated between the expenditure categories of the Statement of Financial Activities on a basis designed to reflect the use of the resource. Costs relating to a particular activity are allocated directly.

(e) Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is calculated at rates to write off assets over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Nursery equipment - 20% straight line

Fixtures and fittings - 20% straight line

2 LEGAL STATUS

The charity is unincorporated and was registered on 6 March 2003 with the Charity Commission in England and Wales. The registered number is 1096370. The charity is a public benefit entity.

The principal address of the charity is Chiltern Way, Basingstoke, RG22 5BB.

3 INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
Charitable activities				
Hampshire County Council early years grant	-	215,764	215,764	188,729
Nursery fees	93,004	-	93,004	50,223
Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme	-	-	-	17,899
Other grants and income	1,696	-	1,696	17,900
	<u>94,700</u>	<u>215,764</u>	<u>310,464</u>	<u>274,751</u>

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

4 STAFF COSTS

	2022	2021
	£	£
Wages and salaries	223,192	198,498
Social security costs	10,655	8,246
Pension	2,843	1,978
	<u>236,690</u>	<u>208,722</u>

The average number of staff employed during the year was 15 (2021: 14). No employee received emoluments of £60,000 or more during this year or the prior year.

During the year or the prior year no trustees received any emolument or were reimbursed for expenditure incurred on behalf of the charity except those disclosed in note 11.

During the year key management were paid total remuneration of £89,822 (2021: £82,263).

5 EXPENDITURE

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2022 Total	2021 Total
	£	£	£	£
Costs directly allocated to activities				
Direct staff costs (see note 4)	20,926	215,764	236,690	208,722
Activity and food costs	36,320	-	36,320	27,099
Training and other staff costs	8,203	-	8,203	8,278
	<u>65,449</u>	<u>215,764</u>	<u>281,213</u>	<u>244,099</u>
Support costs allocated to activities				
Rent and rates	26,218	-	26,218	25,995
Utilities	5,376	-	5,376	2,827
Premises and equipment repairs & renewals	5,816	-	5,816	2,148
Depreciation	120	-	120	357
Telephone, website and internet costs	5,284	-	5,284	3,614
Bad debts	(1,976)	-	(1,976)	(2,565)
Other administration costs	5,000	-	5,000	5,924
Bank charges and interest	1,716	-	1,716	1,374
	<u>47,554</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>47,554</u>	<u>39,674</u>
Governance costs				
Accountancy and examination fees	1,894	-	1,894	3,151
	<u>114,897</u>	<u>215,764</u>	<u>330,661</u>	<u>286,924</u>

Included within accountancy and examinations fees above are amounts due to the independent examiner in relation to independent examination of £1,020 (2021: £960).

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6 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures and Fittings £	Nursery Equipment £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 September 2021	9,776	6,376	16,152
Additions			
At 31 August 2022	9,776	6,376	16,152
Depreciation			
At 1 September 2021	9,670	6,362	16,032
Charge for the year	106	14	120
At 31 August 2022	9,776	6,376	16,152
Net book value			
At 31 August 2022			
At 31 August 2021	106	14	120

7 DEBTORS

	2022 £	2021 £
Trade debtors	6,558	3,357
Other debtors	7,843	5,161
	14,401	8,518

8 CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year

	2022 £	2021 £
Bank overdraft	18,402	823
Trade creditors	806	-
Other creditors	9,093	2,734
Accruals and deferred income	4,382	3,166
	32,683	6,723

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9 RESTRICTED FUNDS

	At beginning of period £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	At end of period £
Hampshire County Council Early Years	-	215,764	(215,764)	-

Hampshire County Council Early Years

This grant is provided by Hampshire County Council for Early Years education.

10 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds 2022 £
2022			
Fixed assets			
Debtors	14,401	-	14,401
Bank and cash	250	-	250
Creditors	(32,683)	-	(32,683)
	(18,032)	-	(18,032)

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds 2021 £
2021			
Fixed assets	120	-	120
Debtors	8,518	-	8,518
Bank and cash	250	-	250
Creditors	(6,723)	-	(6,723)
	2,165	-	2,165

11. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the year one trustee received remuneration for her work as a practitioner at the nursery. No remuneration was paid for her role as a trustee.

12. COMMITMENTS

At the year end the charity has non-cancellable operating lease commitments, which expire in 2022 totalling £43,273 (2021: £10,389).