



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1st September 2020 To 31st August 2021

Charity name: Noah's Ark Nursery School

Charity registration number: 1098007

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To deliver the Early Years Foundation Stage, providing a framework for learning, development, and care for children from two to four plus years old.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<p>The Nursery's role is to provide nursery education to children from the age of two. It is run for the benefit of all members of the public and subject to registered capacity (40 on premises at any given time), it is inclusive, that is, as far as the facilities and expertise allows it, takes all children.</p> <p>The focus of the academic year was to maintain excellence by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ensuring staff are well trained and that they know about child development and understand the Foundation Stage Curriculum.• Planning for each child's progress building on their existing interests, abilities and knowledge.• Improving our links with local schools, families and the appropriate local authority organisations and agencies.• Maintaining our facilities to a high standard.• Providing a social hub for both children and their parents or guardians.• Covid19 Pandemic- To ensure

		<p>the safety and wellbeing of our children and families, Covid19 Policies and procedures remain in place.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supporting and focusing on children's emotional health and well-being.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	Noah's Ark Nursery is a committee run, constitution-based charity registered with the Charity Commission. The Trustees have the responsibility for running the charity, for its assets, finances and the employment of any staff and volunteers and to ensure compliance against the Charities Act 2011.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
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<p>Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.</p>	<p>Para 1.20</p>	<p><u>The Business</u> The number of children has remained static.</p> <p><u>Our Provision</u> This year has been an unusual year due to the pandemic. We have remained open to provide continuity to the children and families. Towards the end of the year, we were able to welcome back outside specialists including Butterfly Yoga and Music and Movement sessions. We also welcomed a local dentist to the setting, this promoted dental hygiene and healthy eating. A local barber visited the nursery with his mobile barber shop. Our nursery children enjoyed growing their own fruit and vegetables and observing some ducklings hatching. Our children continued learning and as practitioners we ensured all areas of the Early Years Foundation Stage were covered. We have introduced a new ethos, which is Engage, Explore, Enjoy.</p> <p><u>Our Staff</u> As in previous years our staff turnover has remained low. We continue to have one qualified teacher (QTS) and the Manager completed her qualification in Early Years Initial Teacher Training. Training remains a priority with all staff having undergone some additional extracurricular training as well as core or mandatory skills in the year. One of the highlights being Forest School Training.</p> <p><u>Our Premises</u> This year the nursery paid for new decking. This was supplied by a local building contractor.</p> <p><u>Our Equipment</u> Unserviceable equipment has been replaced as a matter of course. To encourage more use of the outside learning environment, especially during the pandemic, funds were used to purchase equipment such as a mud kitchen and large interactive boards (enabling bubbles of children to remain separate)</p> <p><u>Our Parents and Carers</u> This year has been unusual for our families as we could not welcome them into the</p>
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		<p>setting. We have found our families to be very supportive and respectful of this. We have welcomed parents onto our committee, and they have been influential in fundraising for the setting, carrying out events such as plant sale and cake stall. During this year there has been a transition from paper information to online emails and Facebook communication, this has proved particularly popular with our families. We have been using 'survey monkey' to gain feedback from our families, we have used this in our planning at the setting.</p> <p><u>The Community</u> The trustees would like to thank member of our community who have visited the setting providing informative and entertaining talks and advice given to the children. We would also like to thank various individuals and commercial organisations whose donations of consumables and raffle prizes for nursery fundraising, they have been greatly appreciated.</p>
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The nursery closed the year with total cash funds of £43,396 Our expenditure to replace the rotten decking resulted in a loss of - £16,728
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The committee have decided that the charity needs to hold reserves to cover emergency situations such as urgent property repairs and redundancies.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£21,000
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	Nil
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	The Covid Pandemic

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Our source of funds this year has been from Local Entitlement Grant Funding £78,408 and Fees from our non-funded children £24,677 Further amounts were received including the Manager's University grant and a Covid Response payment totalling £11,915 and fundraising £2,965
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution adopted 2008
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Association consisting of 40 plus members
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Elected by member annually

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	Current policies are in place and updated annually. DBS checks are carried out on staff and committee members prior to employment or commencement of trusteeship. Towards the end of the year committee meeting were able to move from Zoom to face to face at the setting.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	Noah's Ark Nursery is a member of the Pre-School Learning Alliance.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	All trustees and other committee members give their time voluntarily and receive no remuneration or other benefits.
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Noah's Ark Nursery School
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity	1098007

number	
Charity's principal address	Downlands Road, Devizes Wiltshire SN10 5EF

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Paula Winchcombe	Chairperson		
2	Ben Braine	Trustee		
3	Zoe Stevenson	Treasurer		
4	Helen Pougher	Secretary		
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Corporate trustees - names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

Z.Stevenson

Full name(s)

Zoe Stevenson

**Position (eg
Secretary, Chair, etc)**

Treasurer

Date

16/05/2022



CHARITY COMMISSION
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Charity Name
Noah' Ark Nursery School

No (if any)
1098007

Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	1-Sep-20		31-Aug-21

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 £
A1 Receipts				
LOCAL AUTHORITY GRANTS	78,408	-	-	78,408
NON GRANT FUNDED CHILD FEES	24,677	-	-	24,677
FUNDRAISING	2,965	-	-	2,965
OTHER	5,101	-	-	5,101
INTEREST/CREDITS ON BANK A/Cs	2	-	-	2
GRANTS	11,915	-	-	11,915
	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	123,068	-	-	123,068
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).				
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	123,068	-	-	123,068
A3 Payments				
STAFF SALARIES	86,507	-	-	86,507
TAX & NAT. INSURANCE	4,568	-	-	4,568
ACTIVITIES & MATERIALS	11,355	-	-	11,355
PREMISES	28,554	-	-	28,554
ADMINISTRATION	2,365	-	-	2,365
BANK CHARGES	78	-	-	78
PENSION	2,168	-	-	2,168
BOOKKEEPING & ACCOUNTS	1,527	-	-	1,527
TRAINING	1,611	-	-	1,611
UNIFORM	423	-	-	423
OTHER	640	-	-	640
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	139,796	-	-	139,796
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)				
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total payments	139,796	-	-	139,796
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 16,728	-	-	- 16,728
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	60,124	-	-	60,124
Cash funds this year end	43,396	-	-	43,396

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Community a/c	21,110	-
	Business a/c	21,191	-
	Cash book	30	
	Expenses a/c	1,065	-
	Total cash funds	43,396	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
	Canopy, fixtures & fitting depreciating @10% pa	Unrestricted	-
	Playground structures depreciating @10% pa	Unrestricted	-
	IT depreciating @25%	Unrestricted	-
			-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)
			-
			-
			-
			-

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

Signature

Print Name

ZOE STEVENSON

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HELEN POUGHER

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Last year

to the nearest £

96,415
17,191
803
1,000
35
-
-
-
115,444

-
-

115,444

82,281
6,041
2,606
8,585
3,085
79
1,346
-
-
-
9,690
-
113,711

-

113,711

1,733
-
58,392
60,124



**Endowment
funds**

to nearest £

-
-
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**Endowment
funds**

to nearest £

-
-
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**Current value
(optional)**

21,889
2,224
183
-
-

**Current value
(optional)**

-
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**When due
(optional)**

Date of
approval

10/11/2021

10/11/2021



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
Noah's Ark Nursery School

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31st August 2021

**Charity no
(if any)**

1098007

Set out on pages

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(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 31/08/2021.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity's trustees, 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 all 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 in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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.

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

Signed:

Date:

09/02/2022

Name:

Ellie Killington

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

ICAEW

Address:

7-7c Snuff Street

Devizes
Wiltshire, SN10 1DU

Section B**Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material 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.