

# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day 1 <sup>st</sup>	Month Sept	Year 2022		Day 31	Month Aug	Year 2123

## Section A

## Reference and administration details

Charity name

Jiminy Crickets preschool

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1106154

Charity's principal address

The Cricket Pavillion,

Chapel Lane, Ashford Hill

Thatcham

Postcode

RG19 8BE

### 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 Samantha Quirk

Chair

2 Emily Bernard

Secretary

3 Phyllis Kent

Treasurer

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### Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name

Dates acted if not for whole year

## 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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## Section B Structure, governance and management

### Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document  
(eg. trust deed, constitution)

Constitution (pre-school learning alliance model constitution 2011 adopted 27/06/12 previously 2008 version)

How the charity is constituted  
(eg. trust, association, company)

Trust

Trustee selection methods  
(eg. appointed by, elected by)

All family members (parents) are invited to stand for the posts and act as trustees. The nominations, elections and appointments are made at the AGM in line with the CC requirements, our constitution and our procedures. Trustees can also be appointed through these procedures.

### Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

Jiminy Crickets is a charity run pre-school offering funded and affordable childcare. We are a not for profit organisation, which is managed by our Parent Management Committee (Trustees). We are affiliated to the Preschool Learning Alliance and regulated by the Charity Commission. We are compliant with legal and regulatory requirements and operate a best practice policy.

The pre-school is affiliated to the Pre-school Learning Alliance, and is supported, monitored and regulated by Hampshire County Council, Hampshire Early Years team and Children's Links. As a pre-school we are also inspected and regulated by Ofsted. The school also maintains links with local and feeder schools and any social support networks/agencies as required.

We undertake regular reviews of our policies and procedures (which can be accessed via the pre-school website [www.jiminycricketspreschool.com](http://www.jiminycricketspreschool.com)). All our trustees are required to submit the required declarations and sign confidentiality agreements, as well as complete the EY2 (CRB/DBS) checks. We work hard to ensure we have an approachable, friendly, open atmosphere, whilst maintaining security and confidentiality. We readily welcome feedback and input from staff and Family Members (parents).

## Section C Objectives and activities

**Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document**

The pre-school aims to provide affordable and accessible childcare to pre-school aged children (age 2 – statutory school age), in a safe and supportive environment and to work in partnership with parents in the provision of this, regardless of race, religion or ethnicity

**Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)**

Jiminy Crickets Pre-school is the only charity run preschool within the local area. It is open Monday to Friday during term time, and offers funded and affordable child care to children aged 2 to statutory school age, on a sessional day basis, with additional lunch clubs available.

Children are cared for by qualified and trainee, paid staff who have shown great dedication and commitment to the school and have worked hard to become an effective team.

The team have worked efficiently to provide a nurturing, stimulating and educational environment where the children can learn through investigation and imaginative play, as well as structured learning activities on an individual and group basis. The children are encouraged to develop their awareness of others and understand differences, as well as develop life skills, such as sharing, co-operation and negotiation.

The school continually reviews its working practices and seeks the advice of support agencies to ensure continued improvement and has policies and procedures in place to ensure its legal and regulatory compliance.

The school actively encourages parental involvement in the management of the pre-school and the development of their children, both within the setting and at home.

The management team is also forging ever stronger links with the feeder schools and has attended a number of events throughout the school year at the main catchment area school.

The parents and children have actively supported the school through fundraising activities. Many families have attended school throughout the year to share in activities and projects that have been held

**Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)**

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

The committee is run on a voluntary basis.

#### THANKS

Thanks go to the committee Chair (SamanthaQuirk) who has continued to give her own time to the support of the pre-school management team, working closely with them to co-ordinate activities and resolve any issues that have arisen. Samantha also continues to give her time to the setting, helping with a variety of daily tasks and continues to give up her time to help with additional tasks and objectives outside of the Chairman remit.

Thanks also go to the committee Secretary (Emily Bernard) who continues to monitor the committees' compliance to Charity Commission regulations and requirements and produced parent communications in line with management requirements.

Thanks go to the Treasurer (Phyllis Kent) who has given to ensure banking procedures have been undertaken in a timely manner.

Thanks and appreciation to ALL the staff for the dedication, hard work, flexibility and commitment they have shown and continue to give to the pre-school.

## Section D

## Achievements and performance

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### Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

We have held various fundraising events throughout the year..

We have had sponsored walks,Bingo night and had bake sales and raffles.

The committee have also supported the pre-school team in delivering special events such as Mother's day, Father's Day, Sports Day and Easter etc. as well as the Children's Christmas and year end parties.

### Ofsted

Under the brilliant leadership of the management team, and through the dedication, commitment and infectious enthusiasm of the whole team (and the unwavering support of the Parents and Committee members), Jiminy Crickets Pre-school was awarded a rating of GOOD with elements of Outstanding by Ofsted at the start of the school year.

### Growth

The pre-school continues to see growth in all areas. The number of children registered to attend the pre-school is at its highest. The positive attitudes of the parents, the school's reputation and place within the community are the best we have seen.

The support given to families and the knowledge brought to the school by the management team and staff is undoubtedly appreciated by all. There is a noticeable improvement in the children's abilities and self confidence. Parents have commented that bringing their children to Jiminy Crickets Pre-school is like an extension of family.

### Committee

As always, our thanks go to all the current, leaving and new trustees for their support, and to all our Family Members without whom our successes would not have been so great.

## Section E

## Financial review

### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The pre-school reserve has been established and maintained throughout the school year, and provides 6 weeks of funds for all compulsory payments and wages/redundancy payments.

### Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

### Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

The majority of funding is met through the Nursery Grant system. Further funding comes through sessional fees.

We also raise funds through various fundraising and educational activities.

Our expenditure has fully supported our key objectives to provide a quality, safe and stimulating environment for the children to learn through play. Expenditure has included staff wages, rent and maintenance of premises as well as new play equipment and training costs.

## Section F

## Other optional information

## Section G

## Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

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Full name(s)

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Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

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Date

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CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name  
Jiminy Crickets Pre-School

No (if any)  
1106154

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## Receipts and payments accounts

For the period  
from

Period start date  
01/09/2022

To

Period end date  
31/08/2023

### Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Fees	29,988	-	-	29,988	32,608
Funding	52,791	-	-	52,791	51,603
EYPP DAF SEN Funding	3,405	-	-	3,405	25
Fund Raising	1,786	-	-	1,786	1,144
Donations	-	-	-	-	300
Bank Interest	149	-	-	149	3
Other - uniform	650	-	-	650	1,006
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>88,768</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>88,768</b>	<b>86,688</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>88,768</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>88,768</b>	<b>86,688</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Snacks	100	-	-	100	244
Premises	3,630	-	-	3,630	3,890
Wages	65,731	-	-	65,731	60,003
Staff training	191	-	-	191	94
Tax/NI	4,320	-	-	4,320	2,780
Pension Costs	1,763	-	-	1,763	1,310
Insurance	705	-	-	705	685
Cleaning consumables	289	-	-	289	442
Activity consumables	1,152	-	-	1,152	842
EYPP DAF SEN Funding spends	2,794	-	-	2,794	
Equipment - furnishings, equip, toys	330	-	-	330	2,179
Fundraising outgoings	1,795	-	-	1,795	49
Phone and Web	581	-	-	581	488
Admin - stationery and mag subs	492	-	-	492	543
Mem subscriptions - Ofsted, PLA	785	-	-	785	212
Advertising	70	-	-	70	110
Uniforms	368	-	-	368	132
DBS Checks	109	-	-	109	368
Other	1,454	-	-	1,454	1,719
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>86,660</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>86,660</b>	<b>76,088</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>86,660</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>86,660</b>	<b>76,088</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>2,109</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,109</b>	<b>10,600</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>34,686</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>34,686</b>	<b>24,086</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>36,794</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>36,794</b>	<b>34,686</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	4,547	-	-
	Reserve Account	32,247		
			-	-
			-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>		36,794	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	Details			
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
<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	



**Section A**

**Independent Examiner's Report**

**Report to the trustees/  
members of**

Charity Name  
Jiminy Crickets Pre-School

**On accounts for the year  
ended**

31st August 2023

**Charity no  
(if any)**

1106154

**Set out on pages**

1 to 3

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

**Respective  
responsibilities of  
trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Act and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention

**Basis of independent  
examiner's statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**Independent  
examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities 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.

**Signed:****Date:**14<sup>th</sup> November 2023**Name:**

Victoria Trussler

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

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**Address:**

37 Farringdon Way

Tadley

Hants RG26 3UA

**Section B****Disclosure**

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.**

Nothing to report