

BRIGHT SPARKS KINDERGARTEN LTD

(LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)

Company Number 06113421 (England & Wales)

Charity Number 1120624

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022**

BRIGHT SPARKS KINDERGARTEN LTD

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For the Year Ended 31 August 2022**

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Company Information For the Year Ended 31 August 2022

Trustees	Claire Felipes Sarah Brown Steve Belshaw Joh Belshaw (resigned 25 April 2022) Becky Portess Nicola Burrell (resigned 25 April 2022) Stacey Mustill Charlotte Blakey (resigned 25 April 2022) Danielle Skinner Laura White (appointed 25 April 2022) David Mitchell (appointed 25 April 2022)
Directors	Sarah Brown Becky Portess (appointed 25 April 2022)
Registered Office	Sibsey Free School Old Main Road Boston Lincolnshire PE22 0RR
Company Number	06113421 (England & Wales)
Charity Number	1120624
Independent Examiner	Mrs Nicola Lenton FCCA Dexter & Sharpe Chartered Certified Accountants The Old Vicarage Church Close Boston Lincolnshire PE21 6NA
Bankers	HSBC 49 Lumley Road Skegness Lincolnshire PE25 3LW

BRIGHT SPARKS KINDERGARTEN LTD

Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 August 2022

The Trustees present their Report with the financial statements of the Charitable Company for the Year ended 31 August 2022.

Legal and Administrative Information

Bright Sparks Kindergarten Limited is a charitable Company Limited by Guarantee and does not have any share capital. It was incorporated on 19 February 2007 and was registered as a Charity on 20 August 2007. It is governed by a Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 19 February 2007 as amended by Special Resolution dated 9 August 2007. New Trustees are approved by the present members of the trustee board. (Further administrative details of the charity can be found on page 1).

Purpose

Bright Sparks Kindergarten exists to deliver safe, high quality pre-school childcare and education for children aged 2 years to 4 years and to offer stimulating out of school and holiday club activities for children aged 3 years to 11 years. We are also committed to developing staff and offering opportunities for trainee staff.

Overview

Finances have struggled a little this year, but we continue to run the setting without any concerning financial difficulties. Numbers within Pre-school and Out of School clubs were higher than the previous year and 14 children moved on to primary school in July. We have a high number of children on the waiting list, and projected numbers for September are looking to remain high. However, because of the decline in numbers for the holiday club, this has not been running and is continually being monitored to ensure viability for the future.

Outside agencies such as Early Years Childcare Support (EYCC) continue to provide invaluable and up to date information and guidance, which the committee and staff appreciate greatly.

The committee continue to appreciate and recognise all of the staff for all of their hard work, dedication and commitment. The Manager and Assistant Manager promote positivity within the setting which in turn makes Bright Sparks a great place to learn, and a great place to work.

Financial/ Performance

The results for the year and the financial position of Bright Sparks are shown in the financial statements.

The results shown are in line with projected figures.

Management and Staffing

The Trustees of Bright Sparks committee continue to be extremely proud of the staff team. We are really pleased that our management team remains unchanged and they continue to work extremely well together ensuring that Bright Sparks improves and carries on its success.

We have seen some staff changes this year, with one staff member starting maternity leave. We are finding it increasingly difficult to recruit, which is seemingly an issue across the sector.

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Management and Staffing continued

Bright Sparks continues to work within the EYFS framework. The senior management team continually monitor updated guidance and support staff accordingly to ensure that the quality of care at Bright Sparks is maintained in early year's childcare and education. In February we were inspected by OFSTED and are proud that we were graded as Good.

We have continued to work with other providers where necessary.

Continual Professional Development of management and staff is seen as a very important area and this is discussed at regular supervisions and appraisals which enables us to make sure that Bright Sparks, in our opinion, continues to be one of the top childcare provisions in the local area. The local authority, EYCC and the Local Safeguarding team, LSCP, provide relevant and up to date training for staff to attend which this year have all been virtual via Teams or Zoom. Bright Sparks have encouraged staff to attend these. We also use training agencies to do whole staff team in-house training.

We are extremely proud to have a staff member who is trained with their Early Years Foundation Degree and BA Hons in Education. We also have a staff member working towards her BA honours in Childhood and Youth Studies.

The voluntary management committee continues to function well in support of the setting. Committee meetings have been held regularly during the last year and have returned to face to face meetings. The committee have continued to support the management team with the day to day running and staff management. Ongoing action plans support the operational function and identifies any areas for attention.

Staff always go above and beyond their contractual duties to undertake events for fundraising and out of hours meetings etc. Fundraising has allowed staff to purchase equipment and resources to enhance and replenish our setting.

The strength of the committee is its members and their commitment and drive to support Bright Sparks Kindergarten. The committee are extremely proud of the whole staff team. They go above and beyond in ensuring that Bright Sparks continues to go from strength to strength.

Overall Performance

We are extremely proud that Bright Sparks has continued to provide exceptional provision of quality, affordable and accessible childcare. Staff are proud to provide a warm and welcoming, homely environment for all who attend and their families.

The Committee are confident that Bright Sparks will continue to keep moving forward. As a charity, however, we do rely on its parents to keep it going. With their continuing help and support, we will ensure that Bright Sparks achieves this.

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The Future

As a committee we are aware of the projected rise in cost of living, along with the increase of living wage (in April) which we know will impact on the financial status of Bright Sparks. We will be monitoring this closely and a review of the fee structure will be addressed accordingly.

As a childcare setting, Bright Sparks has an excellent reputation in the area and we will continue to provide our usual exceptional service to all who attend. We pride ourselves in offering a vibrant place to work where staffs personal needs are nurtured and professional needs are encouraged.

We will continue to deliver outstanding performance ensuring that Bright Sparks as a setting continues to be the areas first choice for high quality childcare and education.

Statement of trustees' responsibilities

The trustees are required under the Charities Act 2011 to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the charity's financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of that year.

In preparing financial statements giving a true and fair view, the trustees should follow best practice and:

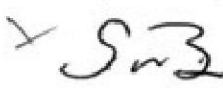
- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the charity and which enable them to ascertain the financial position of the charity and ensure that the financial statements comply with applicable law and regulations. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

When amounts are presented within items in the profit and loss account and balance sheet, the trustees have had regard to the substance of the reported transaction or arrangement, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles or practice.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

This report was approved by the board on 24 April 2023 and signed on its behalf.


Sarah Brown
Trustee

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees

I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 August 2022 set out on pages 6 to 12.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees of the Company (who are also the directors of the Company for the purposes of company law), you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ("the 2006 Act").

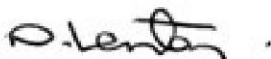
Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited for this year under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the 2011 Act"). In carrying out my examination, I have following the directions given by the Charities Commission (under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; or
- the accounts do not accord with such records; or
- the accounts do not comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 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; or
- the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102).

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.



NICOLA LENTON FCCA
Independent Examiner
Dexter & Sharpe
Chartered Certified Accountants
The Old Vicarage
Church Close
Boston, Lincolnshire
PE21 6NA

Date: 24 April 2023

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Statement of Financial Activities Including Income and Expenditure Account For the Year Ended 31 August 2022

Notes	Total Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2021 £	
1	INCOME AND EXPENDITURE		
	INCOMING RESOURCES		
	Incoming Resources from generated funds:		
	Activities for generating funds	144,117	128,092
3	Investment income	6	-
	TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	144,123	128,092
	Resources Expended:		
5	Charitable activities	144,254	118,083
6	Governance costs	2,844	2,399
	TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED	147,098	120,482
2	NET (OUTGOING)/INCOMING RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR	(2,975)	7,610
	TOTAL FUND BROUGHT FORWARD	52,745	45,135
	TOTAL FUND CARRIED FORWARD	49,770	52,745

All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 8 to 12 form part of these financial statements

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Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2022

Notes		2022 £	2021 £
	Fixed Assets:		
7	Intangible assets	-	-
8	Tangible assets	9,291	2,701
		<u>9,291</u>	<u>2,701</u>
	Current Assets:		
9	Debtors	500	210
	Cash at bank and in hand	57,320	62,461
		<u>57,820</u>	<u>62,671</u>
10	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	17,341	12,627
		<u>40,479</u>	<u>50,044</u>
	Net Current Assets		
	TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES	<u>49,770</u>	<u>52,745</u>
	FUNDS		
	Unrestricted funds	49,770	52,745
	TOTAL FUNDS	<u>49,770</u>	<u>52,745</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 August 2022.

The trustees have not required the charitable company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2022 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records which comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006; and
- preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small charitable companies and with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008).

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 24 April 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:

Sarah Brown
Director and Trustee

The notes on pages 8 to 12 form part of these financial statements.

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Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended 31 August 2022

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Preparation of Financial Statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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 1 January 2015)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Incoming Resources

All incoming resources are included in the SOFA (Statement of Financial Activities) when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

1. Grants are accounted for when received.
2. Investment income is accounted for when receivable.
3. Fees are accounted for when received.

Resources Expended

Resources expended are included in the Statement of Financial Activities on an accruals basis, inclusive of any VAT which cannot be recovered.

Expenditure is allocated between those specific to the operation of the charity's objectives (charitable expenditure) and the costs for the running of the charity itself as an organisation (management and administration).

Goodwill

Goodwill, being the amount paid in connection with the acquisition of the business in March 2008 and April 2009, is being amortised evenly over their estimated useful lives of five years.

Tangible Fixed Assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Fixtures and fittings	25% on reducing value
Nursery Equipment	33% on reducing value

Taxation

These financial statements are prepared on the basis that the charity is exempt under s.505 ICTA 1988 and that no charge to taxation applies.

Fund Accounting

Funds held by the charity are either:

- **Unrestricted general funds** – these are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees.
- **Designated funds** - these are funds set aside by the trustees out of unrestricted funds for specific future purposes or projects.
- **Restricted funds** – these are funds that can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

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	2022 £	2021 £
2. NET INCOMING RESOURCES		
Net incoming resources are stated after charging:		
Depreciation - owned assets	3,230	1,021
- goodwill	-	-
Independent Examination	2,040	1,680
Accountancy services	804	719
Staff Costs	<u>118,950</u>	<u>97,311</u>
 STAFF COSTS		
Charitable Activities	<u>118,950</u>	<u>97,311</u>
Staff costs consist of:		
Wages and Salaries	116,942	96,381
Social Security Costs	2,008	930
	<u>118,950</u>	<u>97,311</u>
 No employee earned £50,000 per annum or more.	No.	No.
	9	8
The average weekly number of employees was	<u>9</u>	<u>8</u>
	2022 £	2021 £
Trustees Remuneration	<u>52,812</u>	<u>39,121</u>
Directors Remuneration	<u>28,873</u>	<u>24,316</u>
 3. INVESTMENT INCOME		
Bank interest	<u>6</u>	<u>-</u>

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4. TAXATION

Analysis of the tax charge

No liability to UK corporation tax arose on ordinary activities for the year ended 31 August 2022 nor for the year ended 31 August 2021.

5. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2022 £	2021 £
	118,950	97,311
Wages	1,437	1,382
Pensions	5,707	4,718
Lunches	2,384	2,289
Rent and rates	591	520
Insurance	1,493	1,491
Light and heat	702	696
Telephone	2,104	1,029
Stationery	1,949	1,581
Repairs and renewals	2,520	3,208
Activity materials etc.	864	1,598
Cleaning	1,150	449
Sundry expenses	1,108	703
Courses and subscriptions	65	87
Bank charges		650
Depreciation:	2,819	371
Fixtures and Fittings	411	
Nursery Equipment		
	<u>144,254</u>	<u>118,083</u>

6. GOVERNANCE COSTS

	2,844	2,399
Accountancy and professional fees	<u>2,844</u>	<u>2,399</u>

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7. INTANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Goodwill
£

Cost:

At 1 September 2021 and
31 August 2022

2,667

Amortisation:

At 1 September 2021 and
31 August 2022

2,667

Net Book Value:

At 31 August 2022

0

At 31 August 2021

0

8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Fixtures and
Fittings
£

Nursery
Equipment
£

TOTAL
£

Cost:

At 1 September 2021
Additions

25,193

3,825

29,018

9,329

491

9,820

At 31 August 2022

34,522

4,316

38,838

Depreciation:

At 1 September 2021
Charge for year

23,245

3,072

26,317

2,819

411

3,230

At 31 August 2022

26,064

3,483

29,547

Net Book Value:

At 31 August 2022

8,458

833

9,291

At 31 August 2021

1,948

753

2,701

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**Notes to the Financial Statements
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**9. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE
WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	2022	2021
	£	£
Trade debtors	500	210

**10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE
WITHIN ONE YEAR**

Trade creditors	13,954	9,803
PAYE	450	894
Accruals and deferred income	2,937	1,930
	17,341	12,627

11. SHARE CAPITAL

The company is incorporated under the Companies Act as a Guarantee company. No share capital has been issued. In the event of the company's winding up each member may be required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 as a contribution towards the debts and liabilities of the company.