



Strathmore Pre-School
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Chair's & Treasurer's Report – AGM 30/03/23

School Year 1st September 2021 – 31st August 2022

Firstly, thank you all for attending Strathmore Pre-School's AGM. This is a brief summary of the key points from the past year at the Pre-School.

OFSTED

Our last Ofsted inspection was in October 2018, when the Pre-School was delighted to achieve an Outstanding rating.

The Committee and myself are hugely proud of all the work that Diane and the team put in with the children and the setting to achieve and continue to maintain this level.

Staffing News

Nicola Haggart (Practitioner) left us on 8th October 2021 after returning for a short period of time after the summer break.

Natalie Green (Senco and Family Support Worker) left us at the end of April 2022.

Aimee Gee joined us as a Practitioner on 1st November 2021 and moved on from the role at the end of the Autumn term.

Teri Mayhew joined us as a Practitioner at the start of the Spring term and moved on from the role at the end of May 2022.

This left the following staff for the remainder of the academic year:

- Diane Grazette – Pre-School Leader
- Leonie Nicholson – Deputy Leader
- Megan Reader – Practitioner and Wraparound Leader
- Julie Hook – Administrator

Committee News

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Chris Jones stepped down as Chair of the Committee and Rachel Compton from the Committee.

Following Committee agreement, I took on the role as Chair and Katherine Martinez moved into the role of Treasurer.

Other Committee members remained in their roles:

- Shelly Leitch – Safeguarding Officer
- Esther Horton – Secretary
- Tim Craig – Committee member

Finance

The combined cash balances of the Pre-School accounts at the end of the academic year were £31,516, which is largely in line with the last two years.

Income:

Our income was £73,834, a slight increase of £1363 over 2021. The income make up was different this year, with fee income considerably higher and funding lower than in 2021.

Expenditure:

Expenditure was £73,567 this year, a slight increase of £1883 over the previous year.

Overall, we ended the year showing a small profit of £267 in this year's audited accounts.

Wraparound Learning

There were no lunchtime wraparound children this year as this was run as an add on to nursery sessions. We continued to have afternoon sessions from 12:45 – 15:00.

Caterpillars

The decision was taken not to carry on with the Caterpillars toddler group this year and we have begun to look at rehoming some of the items that we used for this.

Lenovo PC and Interactive Whiteboard

Following the decision not to purchase an outside canopy for the school we used a portion of the funds that had been earmarked for this to invest in the IT for the school and purchased a Lenovo PC and Interactive Whiteboard in the Summer term.

Summary

In general, it has been a good year for the Pre-School, and my thanks go to all the staff for their hard work and dedication – particularly to Diane for her inspired leadership and commitment, and to Julie for her generous and continued support in helping me to settle in this new role and for all the support she gives the Committee and colleagues. My thanks as well to Chris Jones for his tenure as Chair through a very challenging time for the Pre-School, and to my fellow Committee members for giving their time and enthusiasm to keep the Pre-School running.

With the children of current Committee members moving on to Nursery and Reception in the 2023-24 school year, we will need to look to expand membership to those parents of children who will be remaining at the Pre-School.

Finances continue to be in good shape given funding and our investment in the Pre-School with the new IT. However with the cost of living crisis we will need to keep a close eye on both income and expenditure to ensure that we continue to maintain this.

With thanks and best wishes,

Michelle Moore
Chair

STRATHMORE PRE-SCHOOL

Charity No 1137736

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR 31 AUGUST 2022

	2022	2021
	£	£
<u>INCOME</u>		
Fee income	38,452	27,399
Fundraising income	210	261
Fee Grant Funding	33,149	44,527
Caterpillars		121
Donation	1,513	0
Other	510	163
Total Income	73,834	72,471
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		
Wages	48,373	49,438
Admin Staff	4,066	3,829
Pension	1,482	1,338
Rent of facilities	6,824	6,294
Equipment and materials	2,616	2,623
Insurances and subscriptions	872	866
Bank charges	66	92
Photocopying	672	567
Phone	394	
Printing, stationery and postage	585	1,593
Training	370	576
Accountancy charges & Prof Fees	360	360
Refunds	158	168
Payroll	729	731
Other		496
HMRC	3,472	2,009
Legal & Professional	748	704
Write offs		
Sundry Expenses	1,780	
Total Expenditure	73,567	71,684
Profit/(loss)	267	787
Bal brought forward	31,249	30,568
		-106
SURPLUS CARRIED FORWARD	31,516	31,249

Notes

BALANCE SHEET as at 31st August 2022

STRATHMORE PRE SCHOOL

Charity No 1137736

	2022	2021
FIXED ASSETS	3,793	399
Depreciation	(105)	(399)
CURRENT ASSETS		
CASH FUNDS		
Bank	26,281	29,666
Bank Reserve	0	77
Bank Reserve	1,547	1,506
TOTAL CASH FUNDS	31,516	31,249
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
ACCRUALS	0	0
CREDITORS		
Creditors	0	0
NET LIABILITIES	0	31,249
NET CURRENT ASSETS	31,516	31,249
Represented by		
P&L Reserves OB		31355
PY Reserves Adj		-106
Profit/Loss	31,516	31,249



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
STRATHMORE PRE SCHOOL

On accounts for the year
ended

31ST AUGUST 2022

Charity no
(if any)

1137736

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 31 /08 / 2022.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with 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

~~[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [] if not applicable.~~

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,:

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

17/01/2023

Name:

SHAUN O'REILLY

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

MAAT

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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 details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.