

Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2023
for
Warren Preschool Limited

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for the Year Ended 31 August 2023

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Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 August 2023

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 August 2023. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The objective of the charity is to provide quality pre-school education and care through its not-for-profit company Warren Preschool Ltd

The Warren Pre School provides a fun, friendly and stimulating environment for children aged two to five, where the emphasis is on "learning through play". The children are valued individuals and are given a fulfilling and rewarding pre-school education that will provide a firm foundation for future growth and development. All the activities at the preschool are organised to cover the initial achievements of the Early Learning Goals in accordance with the Foundation Stage. The nursery is registered with Ofsted Early Years to provide pre-school education and care for 30 children at each session and 30 children for lunch.

Significant activities

The nursery has once again improved on its registrations: and the number of 2 year old places have increased considerably, making the nursery financially more secure - with some sessions already full.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Principal funding sources

Warren Preschool's income is derived from fees, local authority Free Early Years Entitlement and fund-raising. Warren Preschool is registered under the Warrington Borough Council scheme and is able to offer children Free Early Years Entitlement at the beginning of the term following their third birthday.

A child is entitled to a maximum of 570 hours of universal funding over each 12 month period on a rolling process from when they first access their funding. Up to a further 15 hours a week is also available where the necessary criteria is met within the extended funding. A minimum of 2.5 hours and a maximum of 10 hours can be claimed in any one day. The maximum claim of 15 hours universal funding plus up to a further 15 hours if extended funding is applicable must be taken over no fewer than 3 days.

Warren Preschool are now also able to offer a limited number of Free 2 Year old Nursery placements. The local authority use criteria to assess if a child is entitled to it.

With 2 year old places being made available this impacts the staff to children ratio which has meant salary costs are higher than expected. This is being monitored to ensure that only the necessary number of staff are covering any one particular session. There has also been an increase in fees during the year.

FUTURE PLANS

Looking forward to 2023 - 2024 the numbers of children enrolled are good for a sustainable nursery, and have waiting lists for 2 and 3 year olds.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

Organisational structure

The voluntary structure of the company provides long term policy, strategic decisions and support for the nursery manager by offering a source of experience and expertise (eg finance, planning, personal, building and education). The trustees attend meetings on a quarterly basis with sub-groups for education, finance, building and Way Forward meeting as required. The Nursery Manager, Mrs Gail Brannan, is accountable to the trustees and, within the overall strategy set by the Trustees, is responsible, for the medium and day to day leadership and management of the business. This includes determining priorities, proposing and setting objectives, policy and implementation of staff development and support, establishing communications and using managerial skills to resolve conflict, solve problems and develop the teamwork ethos. The management team consists of qualified staff with early years' expertise, and includes senior staff with NVQ or NNEB qualifications. With teamwork and essential support from nursery practitioners, excellence in education and childcare is achieved to budget. All staff hold paediatric first aid.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

08979045 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

1156836

Registered office

22 Warren Lane
Woolston
Warrington
WA1 4ES

Trustees

Mrs S Ellison FCA
Mrs G Brannan
S Kenyon

Independent Examiner

Watkinson Black
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 29 April 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

Mrs S Ellison FCA - Trustee

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Warren Preschool Limited ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 August 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors 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 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 followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the 2006 Act 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
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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.

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29 April 2024

Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 August 2023

	Notes	31/8/23 Unrestricted fund £	31/8/22 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Charitable activities			
Operating activity		104,277	81,092
Other trading activities	2	472	213
Total		<u>104,749</u>	<u>81,305</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Operating activity		93,090	82,492
Other		4,870	3,449
Total		<u>97,960</u>	<u>85,941</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		6,789	(4,636)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		34,111	38,747
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>40,900</u></u>	<u><u>34,111</u></u>

Balance Sheet
31 August 2023

	Notes	31/8/23 Unrestricted fund £	31/8/22 Total funds £
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	8	102	186
Cash at bank and in hand		43,810	36,578
		<u>43,912</u>	<u>36,764</u>
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	9	(3,012)	(2,653)
		<u>40,900</u>	<u>34,111</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS			
		<u>40,900</u>	<u>34,111</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			
		40,900	34,111
NET ASSETS		<u>40,900</u>	<u>34,111</u>
FUNDS	10		
Unrestricted funds		40,900	34,111
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>40,900</u>	<u>34,111</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 August 2023.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2023 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) 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.

Warren Preschool Limited

Balance Sheet - continued

31 August 2023

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 29 April 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:

S Ellison FCA - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the 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 2019)', 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.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

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

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds 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.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 August 2023

2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	31/8/23	31/8/22
	£	£
Fundraising events	472	213
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3. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	31/8/23	31/8/22
	£	£
Other operating leases	12,633	8,904
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4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

	31/8/23	31/8/22
	£	£
Trustees' salaries	33,188	32,032
Trustees' fees	4,200	4,200
Trustees' pensions paid	996	961
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	<u>38,384</u>	<u>37,193</u>

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 August 2023 nor for the year ended 31 August 2022.

5. STAFF COSTS

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	31/8/23	31/8/22
Staff	5	5
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No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 August 2023

6. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	
Charitable activities	
Operating activity	81,092
Other trading activities	213
Total	81,305
EXPENDITURE ON	
Charitable activities	
Operating activity	82,492
Other	3,449
Total	85,941
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(4,636)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS	
Total funds brought forward	38,747
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	34,111

7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Computer equipment £
COST	
At 1 September 2022 and 31 August 2023	1,313
DEPRECIATION	
At 1 September 2022 and 31 August 2023	1,313
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 August 2023	-
At 31 August 2022	-

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 August 2023

8. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31/8/23	31/8/22
	£	£
Prepayments and accrued income	102	186
	<u>102</u>	<u>186</u>

9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31/8/23	31/8/22
	£	£
Social security and other taxes	700	623
Other creditors	1,176	1,718
Pension liability	296	312
Accruals and deferred income	840	-
	<u>3,012</u>	<u>2,653</u>

10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.9.22	Net movement in funds	At 31.8.23
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	34,111	6,789	40,900
	<u>34,111</u>	<u>6,789</u>	<u>40,900</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>34,111</u>	<u>6,789</u>	<u>40,900</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	104,749	(97,960)	6,789
	<u>104,749</u>	<u>(97,960)</u>	<u>6,789</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>104,749</u>	<u>(97,960)</u>	<u>6,789</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 August 2023

10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.9.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.8.22 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	38,747	(4,636)	34,111
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>38,747</u>	<u>(4,636)</u>	<u>34,111</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	81,305	(85,941)	(4,636)
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>81,305</u>	<u>(85,941)</u>	<u>(4,636)</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.9.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.8.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	38,747	2,153	40,900
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>38,747</u>	<u>2,153</u>	<u>40,900</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	186,054	(183,901)	2,153
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>186,054</u>	<u>(183,901)</u>	<u>2,153</u>

11. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 August 2023.

12. ULTIMATE CONTROLLING PARTY

The charity is controlled by the trustees who are all directors of the company.

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 August 2023

	31/8/23 £	31/8/22 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Other trading activities		
Fundraising events	472	213
Charitable activities		
Nursery fee income	9,984	15,305
Grants	94,293	65,787
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	104,277	81,092
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Total incoming resources	104,749	81,305
 EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Trustees' salaries	33,188	32,032
Trustees' fees	4,200	4,200
Trustees' pensions paid	996	961
Wages	37,867	32,826
Pensions	551	559
Rent	12,633	8,904
Insurance	1,299	1,211
Telephone	1,437	1,244
Postage and stationery	128	158
Sundries	661	615
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	92,960	82,710
 Other		
Craft, toys & activities	386	301
Snack costs	311	268
Staff training	668	150
Staff welfare	587	-
Repairs & maintenance	686	498
Legal & professional costs	2,232	2,232
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	4,870	3,449
 Support costs		
Finance		
Bank charges	130	82

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 August 2023

	31/8/23 £	31/8/22 £
Finance		
Governance costs		
Accountancy and legal fees	-	(300)
Total resources expended	97,960	85,941
Net income/(expenditure)	6,789	(4,636)

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