

# **The Mikhulu Trust Registered - Charity Number 1,158,733**

## **Annual Report – 1 December 2020 - 30 November 2021**

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### **Review of Objectives for 2020-2021**

- i. *Continue to support DBS trials around the world.*  
During the period we supported trials in Brazil, Turkey, France, Sweden, Colombia and the UK. Some of these have been successfully completed and others are ongoing. A number of journal articles are currently in submission.
- ii. *Continue to submit journal articles.*  
We continue to publish with others, such as the Brazil and South Africa groups, as well as publishing papers on our own UK book-sharing research. Two significant publications are listed below.
- iii. *Continue to support the Mikhulu Child Development Trust (MCDT) in South Africa in the production of wordless picture book and their other activities.*  
Two to three new wordless books continue to be produced annually in South Africa. These are widely distributed in South Africa and are used elsewhere (e.g., in Italy). See <https://mikhulutrust.org/what-we-do/wordless-picture-books/> for an account of progress with creating new wordless books; and see <https://mikhulutrust.org/annual-reports/> for the MCDT's 2021 annual report.

### **Objectives for 2021-2022**

- i. *Continue to support DBS trials around the world.*
- ii. *Continue to support the MCDT in all its activities.*
- iii. *Support book-sharing around Italy.*

### **Financial Report**

There was no income or expenditure during the period.

Balance as of 30 November 2020 = £23,025.29

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### **Two Publications**

Dowdall, N., Murray, L., Skeen, S., Marlow, M., De Pascalis, L., Gardner, F., Tomlinson, M. & Cooper, P.J. (2021) Book-Sharing for Parenting and Child Development in South Africa: A Randomized Controlled Trial. *Child Development*, 92, 2252-2267.

Murray, L., Rayson, H., Ferrari, P.F., Wass, S.V. & Cooper, P.J. (2022) Dialogic Book-Sharing as a Privileged Intersubjective Space. *Frontiers in Psychology*, 13, 2022.

