

**Jack and Jill Community Pre-School
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For the Year Ended 31 August 2024**

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1162056

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St. Edmunds RC Primary School
Duncan Street
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Trustees

Lucy Victoria Georgina Smyth – resigned XXXX
Anne Mary Vodicka
Megan Davis
Laura Gummow
Rosanna Mastrandrea-Dean – appointed 20 November 2023

Independent examiner

James Gare FCA DChA
Monahans
Chartered Accountants
Hermes House
Fire Fly Avenue
Swindon
SN2 2GA

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

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Trustee:

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Date



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name Jack and Jill Community Pre-School	No (if any) 1162056
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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 1-Sep-23	To	Period end date 31-Aug-24
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Grants and playgroup fees	125,779	-	-	125,779	102,117
Fundraising	1,139	-	-	1,139	2,285
Bank interest	1,057	-	-	1,057	428
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	127,975	-	-	127,975	104,830
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	127,975	-	-	127,975	104,830
A3 Payments					
Staff costs	94,199	-	-	94,199	88,481
Premises costs	5,034	-	-	5,034	5,361
Playgroup consumables	5,942	-	-	5,942	4,228
Outing costs	657	-	-	657	609
Sundry expenses	6,214	-	-	6,214	5,579
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	112,046	-	-	112,046	104,258
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	112,046	-	-	112,046	104,258
Net of receipts/(payments)	15,929	-	-	15,929	572
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	49,556	-	-	49,556	48,984
Cash funds this year end	65,485	-	-	65,485	49,556

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	CAF Cash account	14,279	-	-
	CAF Gold account	51,125	-	-
	Cash in hand	81	-	-
	Total cash funds	65,485	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

	Details	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Fees outstanding	1,549	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities	Aged payables	2729	-	
	Accountancy accrual	804	-	
	PAYE and pensions	741	-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval

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