

Trustee Annual Report

Who we are:

Little Owls Pre-School & Nursery, Newtown, Witchampton, Dorset, BH21 5AU

Charity Number: 1167602

Ofsted Reg: 2603857

Trustees as at end of July 2024

- Lauren Morris-Bourne, Chair
- Sonia Bawden, Treasurer
- Lucy Ttofis, Secretary
- Dominique Cobb, Trustee
- Kirsty Day, Trustee

Our Structure:

The trustees oversee the setting, with the Pre-School Manager attending to the day to day running of the nursery and management of its paid staff. Trustees are recruited by word of mouth and advertising in the parent newsletters, and the village newsletter. All trustees give their time freely and no remuneration or expenses were paid in the year.

Activities & Objectives:

Our motivation is that learning should be enjoyable, exciting and fun and we are confident that children will find Little Owls a place where they can discover the world, learn and explore new experiences through play and these experiences will stay with them forever.

At little Owls our ethos is:

- To nurture every child to believe in themselves, to feel that they know who they are and understand what makes them happy.
- To encourage the resilience, independence and confidence to embrace challenges and new experiences.
- To captivate our children's engagement with the excitement and wonder that learning can bring, developing their sense of curiosity.
- To provide an environment that safeguards and enriches our children's understanding of the natural and physical world.

Achievements & Performance:

We run a term time provision of holistic early years education and care using a nature study approach. Little Owls implements daily inputs designed to extend each and every child's learning potentials. The key person system enables focused activities spreading across the early years statutory framework. The outdoor explorer sessions run throughout the year engaging the children with seasonal patterns, continually building and nurturing their knowledge and understanding of the world. Alongside our daily provision of early years child centred education, we also contribute to community events such as fetes and fundraisers. Our location and holistic approach is dedicated to

nurturing future generations of environmentally aware individuals. Little Owls has received an Ofsted 'Good' classification – please see link to the report.

<http://reports.ofsted.gov.uk/provider/16/2603857>

Finances:

The Pre-School operates a current and reserve account, both of which ended the year in profit. There were no debts held by the nursery. The reserve monies are held to cover any redundancies payments should the setting have to close, for premise refurbishments and general funds to improve the quality of education for the children within the setting.

The principal sources of income are government funded fees and parent non-funded fees. Another key source of income is the fundraising we do through events such as the Christmas raffle, sponsored children's events and community involvement on days such as the village fete and open gardens.

As a charity the parents of our children have the assurance that all the income of the Pre-School must be applied for educational purposes. The financial benefits we receive from tax exemptions are all applied for educational purposed and indirectly help us to maintain our finances. We pay tax as an employer through the national insurance contributions we make.

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Receipts and payments accounts				
For the period from	01.08.2023	To	31.07.2024	

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					
Fees	67,051	-	-	67,051	87,581
Fundraising	2,159	-	-	2,159	3,084
Other including donations	30	-	-	30	783
Interest	356	-	-	356	153
Government Grant		-	-	-	
Events		-	-	-	
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	69,596	-	-	69,596	91,601
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	69,596	-	-	69,596	91,601
A3 Payments					
Wages	62,753	-	-	62,753	68,321
Refreshments	1,636	-	-	1,636	1,471
Materials	3,427	-	-	3,427	5,385
Events		-	-	-	-
Licences	55	-	-	55	70
Rent	1,200	-	-	1,200	1,220
Insurance	790	-	-	790	754
Utilities	813			813	186
General bills	5,414	-	-	5,414	1,922
Repairs & Renewals		-	-	-	539
Phone	1,241	-	-	1,241	1,168
Advertising	173	-	-	173	137
Uniform	62	-	-	62	206
Stationary, postage and computer	397			397	310
Bookkeeping and accountancy				-	450
Training	211	-	-	211	594
Sub total	78,174	-	-	78,174	82,732
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
Computer	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	78,174	-	-	78,174	82,732
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 8,578	-	-	- 8,578	8,869
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	36,823	-	-	36,823	27,954
Cash funds this year end	28,245	-	-	28,245	36,823

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Current Account	4,544	-	-
	Deposit Account	23,701	-	-
	Cash	-	-	-
	Total cash funds	28,245	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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 asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees		Signature	Print Name	Date of approval