

THE HANDS UP PROJECT

Annual Report April 2020 to April 2021



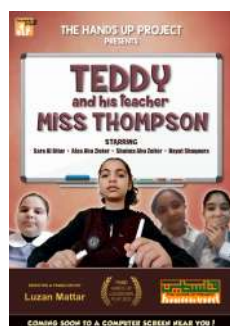
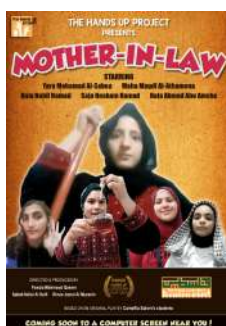
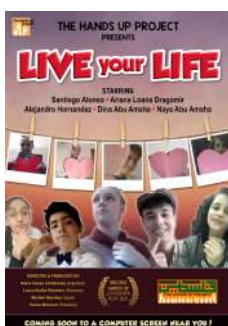
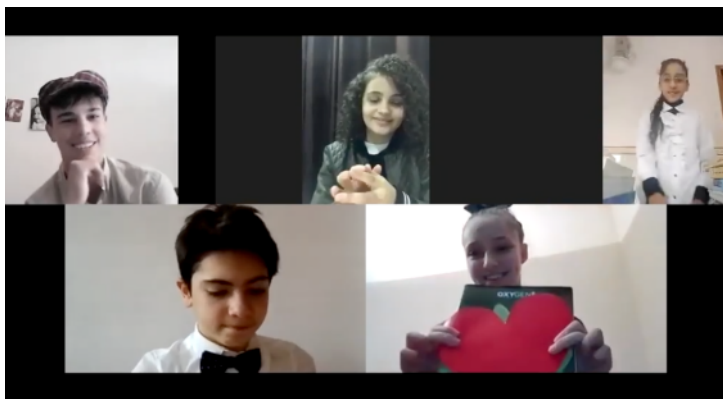
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From April 2020 to April 2021, the Hands Up Project continued to amplify the voices of Palestinian children and strengthen connections between Palestine and the rest of the world.

Live Remote Theatre performances took place throughout the year with young Palestinian authors and actors performing their plays at events run by the War Child Museum in Sarajevo, the Palestine Museum U.S. and at Café Palestine, the discussion forum of the UK-Palestine Mental Health Network.

In November we began work on our EU funded project to create remote theatre materials with partner schools in Croatia, Italy, Romania, and Spain. There are three intellectual outputs to the project, all of which will be free to access by anyone in the world; The Remote Theatre Handbook, a collection of plays written specially for remote performance, and a database of videos of remote plays on specific themes.

The Hands Up Project organised live events to mark United Nations Earth Day, International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People and International Women's Day as well as running the weekly Saturplay Live event with plays performed and broadcast over Facebook Live. One groundbreaking performance saw young people from Palestine, Spain, Argentina and Romania successfully perform the play "Live your Life" live, each in their respective countries. The live performance, the result of months of hard work, showed what a unifying element drama can be as well as its incredible benefits for English language learning.



Education in Palestine was severely disrupted by the pandemic and we teamed up with UNRWA Gaza to assist with the continuity and accessibility of quality English language teaching. Palestinian teachers and volunteers from around the world worked together to teamteach the Palestinian English curriculum to Grades 1-9 in a completely innovative way, again over Facebook Live.

We ran regular sessions using Zoom to link children in Palestine with children and volunteers around the world. Show'n Tell, Students vs teachers, Interactive Games and Storytelling as well as the Certificate in Online Intercultural Communication were just some of the sessions that young Palestinians joined to establish links with their peers in other countries.



In January we launched our brand new website; a total restructuring of the way our work is presented to the public and to the young people and teachers that we serve in Palestine. It is now organised around three main themes: Connecting, Stories and Drama, and includes an interactive world map showing the scope of international connections we now have.

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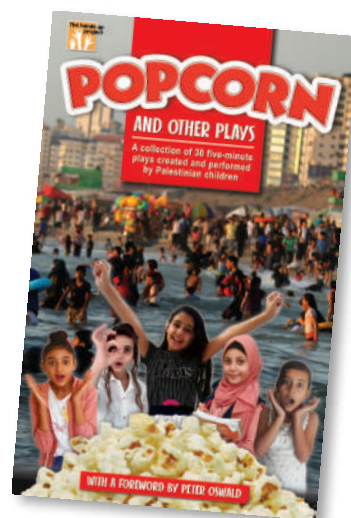
STORIES



CONNECTING



DRAMA



This year also saw the launch of “Popcorn” - our latest book of plays created by young Palestinians. The first book in the series - “Toothbrush”, published in 2019 - was the impetus for our webinar discussing drama and English language learning with presentations from international ELT consultant and teacher trainer Adrian Underhill and English teacher, trainer and writer Jane Willis and UNRWA Educational Supervisor Rida Thabet.



This year also saw the expansion of the Hands Up Project team to include three new members, Palestinian Administrative Coordinator Raja'a Abu Jasser, Learning Coordinator Sara Wood, and Mark Fenton, designer.

Ten schools from Palestine took part in a link-up with fifteen classes at Hazelwood High, a British school in Manchester. The children taking part in the exchange shared their interests, ranging from rap and traditional dance to the culinary delights of fish and chips versus freshly-cooked maqluba.





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Charity Number (UK): 1170272.



Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	01/04/2020	To	31/03/2021
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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					
Donations - general	9,707		-	9,707	13,486
Donations - Simon Greenall			-	-	4,500
Donations - Anika Trust			-	-	9,999
Donations - EBS English			-	-	700
Donations - Speak Up London	1,333		-	1,333	-
Donations - Menter Lawen	4,251	-	-	4,251	11,002
Donations - The Sharek Centre		-	-	-	4,133
Donations - Shieka Maryam Khalid	9,999	-	-	9,999	-
Donations - MJ Volkovitsch	5,477	-	-	5,477	11,000
Donations - Robert Crowley		-	-	-	3,250
Donations - J Willis		-	-	-	1,025
Donations - Fergus Jordan		-	-	-	2,200
Donations - Greenall Florent	9,000	-	-	9,000	1,000
Donations - Wendy Arnold	1,000	-	-	1,000	2,000
Donations - Sol Sha One	2,000	-	-	2,000	-
Donations - Charity Checkout & Crowdfunding		-	-	-	2,745
Cup Sponsorship		-	-	-	1,256
Conference Bookings		-	-	-	947
Book Sales	114	-	-	114	655
Talk fees	1,850	-	-	1,850	350
Sundry income		-	-	-	300
Gift aid		-	-	-	1,413
EU grant	17,106	-	-	17,106	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	61,837	-	-	61,837	71,961

A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	61,837	-	-	61,837	71,961

A3 Payments					
Bank charges	70	-	-	70	112
Zoom fees		-	-	-	104
Sub contract labour	39,534	-	-	39,534	33,324
Wages and PAYE		-	-	-	1,280
Melissa expenses		-	-	-	250
Gaza expenses		-	-	-	2,212
Balkans trips expenses	70	-	-	70	296
Food for kids and teachers		-	-	-	469
Winner's expenses		-	-	-	1,738
Drama Club expenses		-	-	-	-
Talks / training expenses		-	-	-	1,390
Office expenses	833	-	-	833	438
Web expenses	878	-	-	878	149
Subscriptions	190	-	-	190	200
Zaatari funding		-	-	-	-
Book cost	1,154	-	-	1,154	-
Travel expenses		-	-	-	3,529
Visas		-	-	-	-
Refugee conference expenses		-	-	-	537
Hotels		-	-	-	3,705
Professional fees	585	-	-	585	1,067
General expenses		-	-	-	-
Food and transport teachers		-	-	-	-
Equipment	66	-	-	66	170
Printing		-	-	-	3,185
Advertising	155	-	-	155	-
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Sub total	43,535	-	-	43,535	54,155
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	43,535	-	-	43,535	54,155
Net of receipts/(payments)	18,302	-	-	18,302	17,806
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	22,348	-	-	22,348	4,542
Cash funds this year end	40,650	-	-	40,650	22,348

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	CAF Bank	37,507	-	-
	WiseBusiness Euro account	3,143	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	40,650	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	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			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
The Hands Up Project

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31/3/2021

**Charity no
(if any)**

1170272

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31 / 03 / 2021**.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of 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**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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

M R Russell

Date:

4-2-22

Name:

Martin Russell

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qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

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Section B**Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

None