

Little Acorns, Bersted Green Pre-School Annual Report July 2020

Charity number: 1174781

Contents:

- The purpose, the Charity, Committee and Team
- What has been achieved this year?
- Where next?

Chair of Little Acorns, Bersted Green Committee
July 2020

Kate
24 03 2021.

Approved July 2020

Purpose of the provision:

Little Acorns, Bersted Green is established to support children under statutory school age to access the EYFS curriculum without distinction of age, gender, religion, race, culture or means -

In particular:

To advance the education of the beneficiaries by the provision of safe and meaningful play opportunities to support children to grow, develop and make progress so that they are well prepared for statutory schooling

To support the values and principles of the EYFS curriculum including working with children and their families

To be within easy travelling for local children and families and to work with local Children's Centres, WSCC and other agencies to ensure children and staff are supported to develop. To utilize the 40 places each session.

The charity has been in place since September 2017 when the pre-school opened and the Committee are responsible for the work of the provision. A manager was appointed and opened the pre-school and soon needed to leave for personal reasons and so Simone Cane was appointed from January 2018.

The organization is non-profit making and any profits are used to develop the provision, support children's learning and to maintain staff particularly in the Autumn term.

The committee: Rosemary Appleby (Chair), Amy O'Connor (EYFS expertise), Laura Knight (Parent), Simone Cane (manager) and Katie Jarvis (Headteacher of Bersted Green School) oversee the provision run by the manager and the staff team. The Committee have not taken remuneration or expenses during the year but volunteer their services in the interests of developing a first-class affordable provision for local children. The Committee and staff all are checked under Disclosure and Barring Service in order to safeguard the children. The Committee oversee performance management, quality provision, finance, appointments and on-going improvement.

The Little Acorns, Bersted Green Pre-School team led by a manager and deputy run the day to day provision - ensuring the learning is well planned, assessed and fun.

The team work hard to meet the learning needs of the children:

Manager: Simone Cane (Maths, SEND/Safeguarding), Laura Breen (Language focus/planning) along with Diane Ridgwell (Literacy development), Mandy Stevens (Creative curriculum), Gill Hicks (Outside opportunities), Kinga Kasperowicz-Nitecka (EAL), Charissa Yianni (K and U) and Claire Ellis (Bank staff).

What has been achieved this year?

Visitors are impressed with the pre-school provision in a dedicated building with establishing outside area. The Early Years Curriculum is embedding and will run with a well resourced 2-year cycle. Assessment is undertaken by observing the children at play and collated in Learning Journals. The children make noticeable progress.

New astroturf has made outside accessible all year around. Community playthings tables and chairs enhanced the inside provision and a gazebo outside provides a covered area. The children are enjoying learning through play inspired by half termly topics and resources such as instruments, steps, etc. have supported identified gaps discovered from assessing learning.

The children enjoy venturing out from their provision into the school reception class provision in particular and also to see the chickens, sculptures etc around the school as well as attending 'Huff and Puff' physical development at the Regis Sports Arena.

The staff and Committee have worked hard to keep up to date with safety and safeguarding requirements via courses and on-line learning. Vulnerable children are effectively supported and the needs of children are met. Covid had had an impact on progress.

Links with the school and reception class have strengthened with a 2-way benefit.

Funding from WSCC for 3 year olds and eligible 2 year olds supports the core hours. The cost of additional hours is very reasonable and is the least expensive locally.

Newsletters have been informative and included fundraising from a cake sale and photos which bought compost for planters and seeds etc.

Statutory duty as a charity

The committee are confident that section 4 of the Charities Act 2006 has been complied with due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Commission.

The pre-school thanks the primary school staff for supporting them as well as for the enjoyment of the shared provision and thanks all parents, carers and families for their encouragement as well as a willingness to work together for the benefit of the children.

What next?

- To develop and better resource year 1 of the planning, practice and the provision considering fine motor activities, large motor activities, inspiring curiosity in the world around us and development of a rich vocabulary including speech and language support
- For practitioners to benefit from the CPD opportunities provided by WSCC and local providers to enhance practice and bring fresh ideas
- To prepare thoroughly for Ofsted inspection
- To market the provision and to ensure it is sustainable for the future including web site/links
- To induct Rosemary Appleby who has substantial experience working with younger children
- To maintain the provision and to be able to evidence and articulate pupil progress as well as next steps in each child's learning.



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Littleacorns Bersted Green Pre-school

1174781

CC16a

Receipts and payments accounts

| | | | |
|------------------------|---------------------------------|----|-------------------------------|
| For the period from | Period start date 01/01/2020 | To | Period end date 31/12/2020 |
|------------------------|---------------------------------|----|-------------------------------|

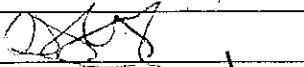
Section A Receipts and payments

| | 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 | | | | | |
| WSCC funding | 120,202 | - | - | 120,202 | - |
| Parents fees | 2,804 | - | - | 2,804 | - |
| Other income | 111 | - | - | 111 | - |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| Sub total (Gross income for AR) | 123,117 | - | - | 123,117 | - |
| A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table). | | | | | |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| Sub total | - | - | - | - | - |
| Total receipts | 123,117 | - | - | 123,117 | - |
| A3 Payments | | | | | |
| Salaries/pensions | 49,513 | - | - | 49,513 | - |
| Rent | 13,920 | - | - | 13,920 | - |
| Insurance | 171 | - | - | 171 | - |
| Registration fees | 152 | - | - | 152 | - |
| Stationary/supplies | 2,832 | - | - | 2,832 | - |
| Phone | 625 | - | - | 625 | - |
| Maintenance / equipment | 1,429 | - | - | 1,429 | - |
| Training | 210 | - | - | 210 | - |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| Sub total | 68,852 | - | - | 68,852 | - |
| A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table) | | | | | |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| Sub total | - | - | - | - | - |
| Total payments | 68,852 | - | - | 68,852 | - |
| Net of receipts/(payments) | 54,265 | - | - | 54,265 | - |
| A5 Transfers between funds | - | - | - | - | - |
| A6 Cash funds last year end | - | - | - | - | - |
| Cash funds this year end | 54,265 | - | - | 54,265 | - |

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 | Treasurers current A/c | 108,478 | - | - |
| | | - | - | - |
| | | - | - | - |
| | Total cash funds | 108,478 | - | - |
| | (agree balances with receipts and payments account(s)) | Agreement Error | OK | OK |
| | | Unrestricted funds to nearest £ | Restricted funds to nearest £ | Endowment funds to nearest £ |
| B2 Other monetary assets | | - | - | - |
| | | - | - | - |
| | | - | - | - |
| | | - | - | - |
| | | - | - | - |
| | | - | - | - |
| B3 Investment assets | | Fund to which asset belongs | Cost (optional) | Current value (optional) |
| | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |
| B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use | | Fund to which asset belongs | Cost (optional) | Current value (optional) |
| | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |
| B5 Liabilities | | 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 |
|---|-------------|------------------|
|  | 2.A. KNIGHT | 24/3/2021 |
| Kate Jarvis | K JARVIS | 24/3/2021 |