



Little Acorns, Bersted Green Pre-School

Annual Report July 2022

Charity number: 1174781

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Little Acorns, Bersted Green Committee
July 2022

Purpose of the provision:

Little Acorns, Bersted Green is established to support up to 40 children per session who are under statutory school age to access the EYFS curriculum.

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 school age.

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 childcare professionals, WSCC and agencies to ensure children and staff are supported to develop.

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 the pre-school school opened 8.50am-3pm term time only to match school times.

The organisation is non-profit making and any profits are used to develop the provision, ensure the provision is sustainable, support children's learning and to maintain staff when numbers are lower in the Autumn term

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 Committee: Kim Kalpakiotis (Chair), Amy O'Connor (EYFS expertise), Natalie Hill (Parent), Katie Jarvis (Headteacher Bersted Green Primary School), Senior manager from Little Acorns and a vacancy for finance currently.

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 the local children. The Committee are checked under disclosure and barring service and for suitability in order to safeguard the children. The Committee oversee performance management, quality provision, finance, appointments and on-going improvement.

The team work hard to meet the learning needs of the children: is led by a manager Shola Attryde and deputy manager Sarah Gerke who run the provision day to day ensuring learning is well-planned, accessed and fun. There are in addition 4 nursery assistants and 2 level 3 apprentices as well as a bank staff member. Each has responsibility as a key worker also, for areas of the curriculum and aspects of learning such as SEND, EAL.

What has been achieved this year?

Visitors are impressed with the pre-school provision in a dedicated building with large and purposeful outside area. The 2-year curriculum has been well resourced and is adapted according to the children

and their interests. Assessment is undertaken by observing children as well as interacting with them and collated in learning journals. The children are making clear progress.

Astroturf has made all of the outside area accessible all year around. New windows have insulated the provision and reduced condensation.

Children enjoy learning through play inspired by half termly topics, any gaps from covid have largely been addressed but assessment for speech and language remains a priority.

Children enjoy venturing from their provision to explore the school grounds - chickens are popular, the pond, sculptures, play equipment and the outside classroom are favourites. The children also attend 'Huff and Puff' activities to improve health and physical development at a local sports centre.

The staff and committee have worked hard to keep up to date with safety and safeguarding and have bought into SSS suite of on-line learning enhanced by regular training and INSET days. Vulnerable children are capably supported and the needs of children are met creatively.

Links with school and reception class are strong with a 2-way benefit and a teacher supports development in the provision every week and this has been beneficial.

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

Funding is from WSCC for 3 year olds and eligible 2 year olds and parents pay for additional hours at a reasonable cost that is lower than other local providers.

Newsletters and meetings with parents help communication alongside an open door policy.

What next?

- Accelerated progress due to strong provision
- To continue to resource the curriculum to excite, interest and engage the children with an impact on current priorities:
 - Curiosity in the world around us and development in the world around us
 - Rich vocabulary and developed speech and language
 - Improved fine motor skills
- For practitioners to develop themselves and their interests through CPD opportunities provided by WSCC, SSS, local providers, INSET days, links with other provision to enhance practice and bring fresh ideas
- To prepare thoroughly to ensure compliance
- To market the provision and ensure it is sustainable. The provision is in a hut which obviously has a finite lifespan so there is a need to save for and to plan for provision into the future
- To induct new staff and to support apprentices
- To be able to evidence and articulate pupil progress and next steps in learning confidently



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name

No (if any)

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

Period start date
01/01/2022

To

Period end date
31/12/2022

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					
WSSC early years funding	136,730	-	-	136,730	-
Parents fees	16,310	-	-	16,310	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	153,040	-	-	153,040	129,759
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	153,040	-	-	153,040	129,759
A3 Payments					
Salaries/pensions	78,572	-	-	78,572	-
Rent	13,920	-	-	13,920	-
Insurance	511	-	-	511	-
Registration fees	238	-	-	238	-
Supplies/resources	7,295	-	-	7,295	-
Phone	752	-	-	752	-
Maintenance/equipment	6,762	-	-	6,762	-
Training	1,553	-	-	1,553	-
Cleaning	1,137	-	-	1,137	-
Sub total	110,740	-	-	110,740	89,976
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	110,740	-	-	110,740	89,976
Net of receipts/(payments)	42,300	-	-	42,300	39,783
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	42,300	-	-	42,300	39,783

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		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	-	-	-
	(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	



CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name

Littleacorns Bersted Green Pre-school

On accounts for the year
ended

31st December 2022

Charity no
(if any)

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2022

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 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 (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn 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:

S Chapman

Date:

7/6/23

Name:

SARAH CHAPMAN

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qualification(s) or body
(if any):

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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight 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.