



# Little Acorns, Bersted Green Pre-School

## Annual Report July 2024

### Charity number: 1174781

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Little Acorns, Bersted Green Committee  
July 2024

## **Purpose of the provision:**

Little Acorns, Bersted Green is established to support upto 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, EYFS expertise), Natalie Hill (Parent), Mel Dixon (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 5 nursery assistants and 2 level 3 apprentices as well as 2 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?**

The provision is full.

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 upto 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 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



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Transaction Date	Transaction Type	Sort Code	Account Number	Transaction Description	Debit Amount	Credit Amount	Balance			Cleaning	Insurance	Staff Uniform	Pensions	Resources	Training	Split Funding to other Nurseries	Phone Bill	Payroll/Account Fees	Staff Reimb	DBS	Advertising	Rent	Other	Nursery Fees	West Sussex	Cashed in money	Refunds	Grants	
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**Independent Examiner's Report to the Governing Body of Little Acorns Bersted  
Green Pre-School**

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023 with a closing balance of  
£249,869.41


**Basis of Independent examiner's report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the  
Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept  
and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes  
consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations  
from your Governors concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not  
provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently I do not  
express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

**Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements  
to keep accounting records and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting  
records have not been met;
- or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper  
understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed ..... 

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Dated