

South Gloucestershire Playscheme

Report for April 2022 – March 2023



We are now in our 26th year of the Playscheme and are becoming stronger each year! We became a registered charity in May 2021 which has helped us enormously in obtaining additional funding.

Our aims are:

To provide learning through play to help maintain education levels in a fun and friendly environment, and to also give parents a break.

To provide a safe environment for children to experience a range of activities such as arts and crafts, sports, team games and performing arts.

To deliver sessions free to ensure we are inclusive as possible.

We are looking to update our aims due to our expansion over the past year. This will be done in 2023/2024.

Playscheme & Family Sessions:

Due to the success of last year's playscheme sessions, we made the decision to keep the new style of delivery – 1 x 4-hour session per day. We are still providing lunch for every child that attends.

During Easter and Summer, we provided a cold buffet style lunch for each child. During October and February half term we provided families with squash, tea, coffee, breakfast bars, snacks and fruit. At Christmas, we provided hot meals daily at each location.

This year we have delivered a whopping **116 play sessions** for children aged 5-11 across South Gloucestershire and Bristol. We also delivered **24 family activity** sessions across South Gloucestershire.

Easter: - Barton Hill, Patchway, Kingswood & Yate – 6 sessions in each location across the 2 weeks = **24 sessions**.

Summer: - Patchway, Bradley Stoke, Stoke Gifford/Little Stoke, Yate, Kingswood. We delivered 5 sessions a week in Patchway and Stoke Gifford/Little Stoke, 4 sessions a week in Bradley Stoke, 3 sessions a week in Kingswood & Yate = **80 sessions**.

Christmas: - Patchway, Yate & Kingswood. We delivered 4 sessions per location = **12 sessions**.

October (family activities): - Patchway, Yate & Kingswood. We delivered 4 sessions in each location – one of these sessions included a parade of the pumpkins in the local communities = **12 sessions**.

We were successful in obtaining funding from The Toy Trust to continue delivering family sessions from February 2023 until October 2023.

February (family activities): - Patchway & Yate. We delivered 2 sessions per day for 3 days in each location = **12 sessions**.

We had **1557 different children** attend our playscheme for 5–11-year-olds. In addition to this, we have **183 different families** attend the family activities. These families had a whopping **231** adults and **351 children** during 2021/2023. This equates to **4498** attendances to our playscheme and family sessions, which is amazing. Children attended the playscheme from 46 different areas and came from 87 different schools.

58% of children attending were White British, the other 42% of children were from BAME families. There was however fluctuation across locations and areas children attended from.

This year we had a high number of children attending with additional needs (**157 different children**). We are again seeing the level of additional needs children rising. In each location we had a range of sensory equipment which included a 'a pop-up tent as a safe space for a calming time out, a range of sensory fiddle toys, and ear defenders for those who struggled with noise levels. We had on average 10 children attending per day, per location with additional needs. This did make the sessions challenging at times for staff and all children attending.

We are still seeing a high number of children with low levels of social and emotional skills as well as low levels educationally.

This was noted across all ages and was particularly obvious in the 5–6-year-olds.

16 of our staff have worked for us previously (many of these staff return year after year) which is a testament to how much they enjoy their work and how they are valued as employees.

This year we had 7 regular volunteers. Two of these volunteers have been with us for more than 3 years now and are both adult volunteers. We also had 8 volunteers who helped by collecting the food and delivering it to the different locations during the main school holidays. This was a massive help to the play leaders who also had to collect equipment for their location for the week.

All staff attended training prior to each of the schemes starting. The training was delivered by Ternaya, Director, with support from the manager, Barbara. Our training includes working with children with SEN or additional needs, safeguarding procedures, health and safety, and expectations. All of the staff and volunteers were also given the opportunity to undertake additional training such as Food Hygiene, Food Allergens, Paediatric First Aid. 13 staff / volunteers completed the Food Hygiene Level 1, 15 staff / volunteers completed Paediatric First Aid and 8 completed Food Allergens Training which is amazing.

Activity Providers:

Bloodhound Education who delivered interactive STEM sessions. The children loved building bridges, rockets and cars and testing them out.

Bristolian Productions visited all the locations with several different activities throughout the year such as Circus Skills, Dance Workshops, Puppet Shows.

Johnny G Xmas show was a huge hit with the children. Lots of dancing, games and balloon making.

The Fire Brigade were able to attend some of our locations in the summer and the children loved being able to use the hose and try the uniforms on.

South Gloucestershire Libraries visited our Yate location in the summer to promote and help children take part in the summer reading challenge. The visits consisted of arts and crafts as well as story time which counted towards the reading challenge. The library also provided craft packs for the other locations which were a huge hit with the children.

Training Department:

Youth work training

We became NOCN approved in 2021 which has enabled us to deliver the Level 2 Award in Youth Work Principles and Level 3 Diploma in Youth Work Practice. We were awarded Direct Claim Status within 1 year of becoming an accredited centre which is an amazing feat.

Ternaya Cummings, Director, is a Level 4 qualified further education tutor (PTLLS) and has been delivering this course for over 12 years. She is Level 3 Diploma qualified (JNC) has over 18 years' experience of youth work practice and delivery. Our assessor, Derek Close, has a JNC in Youth and Community Work, has an assessor's qualification and a BA Hons Degree. He has been designing, delivering, and assessing these courses for more than 30 years.

In April 2022, we started a new course. In total we had 35 learners start the course who came from a wide area: - Somerset, Bristol, North Somerset, Gloucestershire and South Gloucestershire. 11 of the learners are now Level 2 Award trained and 24 learners are now Level 3 Diploma trained (JNC recognised qualification).

The county of Somerset had been without any professional youth work training for 10 years. South Glos Playscheme was invited to deliver a one-off course to youth work staff and volunteers from across the region. We jumped at this opportunity and found it beneficial to all involved to have youth workers from across the South West. Since this course, we are the preferred youth work training organisation for Somerset, which is amazing.

Somerset Youth Work Alliance, who are supported by Spark Somerset, held an award ceremony for all of their learners once they passed to celebrate this achievement and will continue to do this going forwards. We wholeheartedly support these kind of events as agree that the youth sector does not always get the recognition that it should.

In February 2023, we commenced a new Level 2 / Level 3 youth work course and have 16 x Level 2 Award learners, and 21 x Level 3 Diploma learners. They are all on target to complete later this year.

Being able to teach these courses helps to bring in unrestricted funds, and any profit made from these courses goes towards the playscheme and family activities.

We are in the planning phase of creating and delivering an Introduction to Youth Work course in Somerset. The plan is to deliver 3-4 of these short courses during 2023 – 2024 financial year.

Cygnets Training

In September 2022, we were successful in securing the Cygnets contract for 3 years through South Gloucestershire Council. The Cygnets program is a 7-week course for parents and carers whose children have a formal diagnosis of Autism between the ages of 5 and 18.

We have a fantastic trainer who has a Masters degree in Autism – Corrina Wood. Not only has she got a Masters degree, but also lived experience of children with additional needs.

We have delivered 6 of the contracted 8 courses for this year. The other 2 courses are planned for May 2023. We have had 51 parents / carers attend the course. Overall, the courses have had positive feedback from everyone who has attended.

Quartet funding

Setting up as a charity has been hard work, but worthwhile. We managed to secure funding for 1 year from Quartet to support our core services and develop new opportunities. Due to this funding, we delivered:

6 coffee mornings in schools across South Gloucestershire to talk to parents with children with SEN. This involved signposting and getting their input on our services.

We deliver 8 coffee mornings for parents who use our playscheme to consult with them about our services.

We have built positive relationships with SENCO's in 11 additional schools across South Gloucestershire.

We have 59 parents /carers complete our questionnaire on SEN provision across South Gloucestershire. We have also met with organisations in South Glos that specialise in working with children and families with SEN and have signposted a high number of families to them.

The Director and Manager undertook training to support their roles more effectively, as did a high number of staff who deliver playscheme and family sessions.

We were able to expand our training offer across the region.

We have been able to spend time ensuring we have robust systems around finance, human resources, policies and procedures.

We are grateful for the support of our funders including Almondsbury Charity, Bradley Stoke Town Council, Patchway Town Council, Stoke Gifford Parish Council, The National Lottery Awards for Everyone, Quartet, Yate Parish Council, South Gloucestershire Council via the Department for Education through the Holiday Activities and Food Programme, Morrisons, Tesco – Groundworks, ASDA, Youth Focus South West – Bursaries from NYA, Spark Somerset and The Toy Trust.

A big thank you to all who have supported the project in its development, funding, and direction – a fantastic year has been had by all who attended and worked on the scheme!

Ternaya Cummings

We hope you enjoy looking at a few of our fantastic photos from 2022 – 2023. Permission has been obtained for all of these photos.



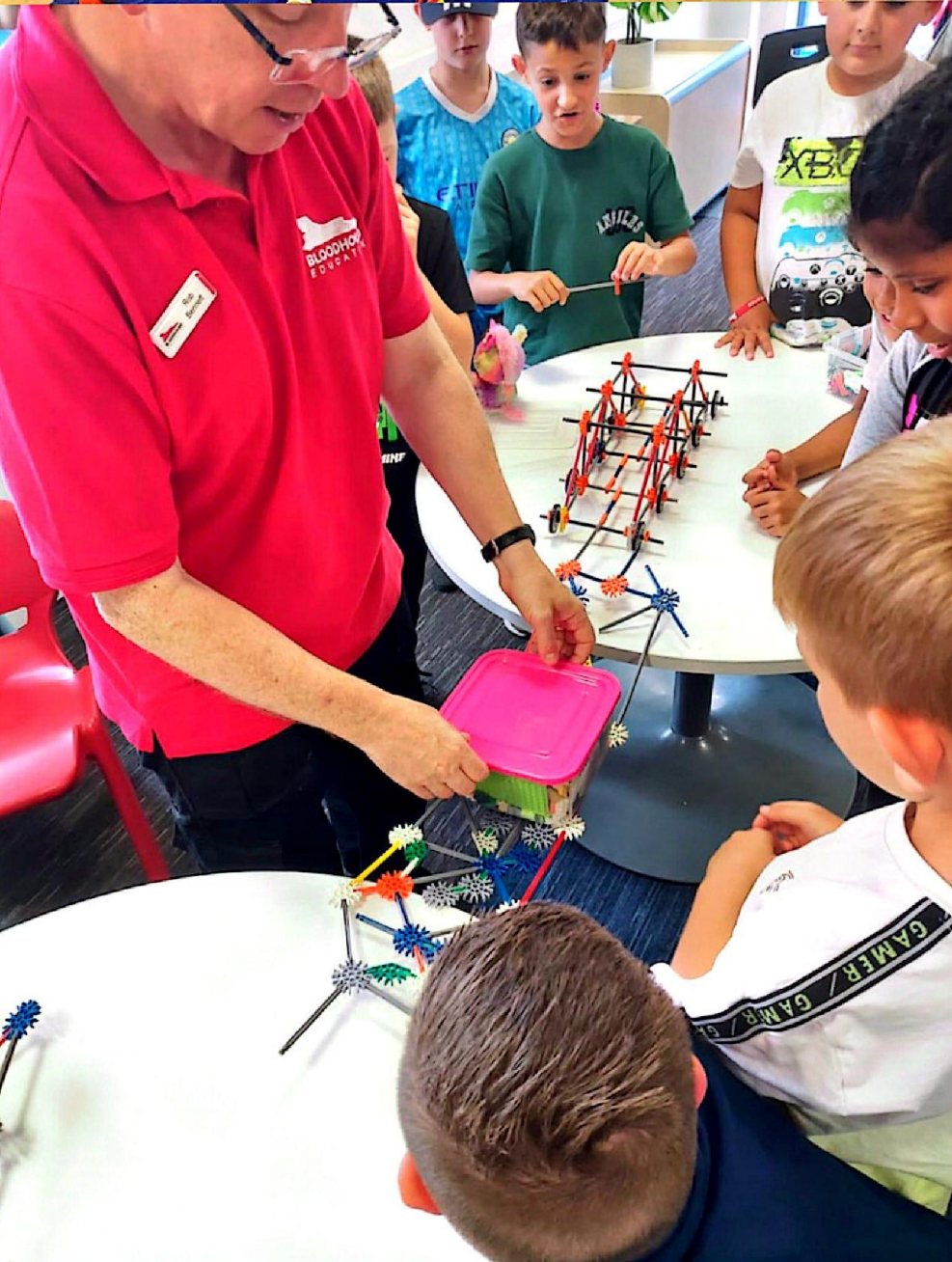














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South Gloucestershire Playscheme
For the period ended 31 March 2023



Prepared on
27 September 2023

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Independent Examiners Report to the Trustees of South Gloucestershire Playscheme

Year ended 31st March 2023

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statement of South Gloucestershire Playscheme ("the charity") for the year ended 31st March 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity, you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements 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 in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. Accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act: or
2. The financial statement do not accord with those records; or
3. The financial statements do 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 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.

Signed:

Name:

Date:

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Financial Activities

April 2022 - March 2023

	Total
INCOME	
Youth Work Training - various funders	£38,178.43
Quartet - Core Project	£9,989.00
Wellspring Settlement HAF program	£2,195.30
South Glos Council - Cygnet	£6,085.54
Donations	£595.88
South Glos Council - HAF	£39,362.00
Toy Trust	£4,904.00
Quartet Summer Playscheme	£5,000.00
Bradley Stoke Town Council	£4,000.00
Patchway Town Council	£5,000.00
Stoke Gifford Parish Council	£5,000.00
High Sheriff of Gloucestershire	£2,500.00
Almondsbury Charity	£1,500.00
Western Power Distribution	£2,500.00
ASDA Foundation	£1,500.00
Refunds	£1,512.06
Yate Town Council	£1,000.00
Transfer from old bank account	£54,000.00
Total Income	£184,822.21
TOTAL	£184,822.21

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Expenditures

Dues and Subscriptions

NOCN Fees £3,784.00

Living Wage

Foundation £72.00

Quickbooks £558.55

Insurance £809.00

TOTAL £5,223.55

Payroll Expenses

Pension £2,431.51

Taxes £13,447.45

Wages £71,853.93

Total Payroll Expenses £87,732.89

Room Hire £5,680.38

DBS for staff and volunteers £648.00

Storage £662.00

Lunch for children £14,435.46

Uniform £199.19

Phone / IT £811.32

Resources / Equipment £6,943.32

Activity Providers £2,000.00

Staff Training £553.10

Assessor / IQA fees £6,146.67

Expenditure £38,079.44

Total Expenditures £131,035.88

NET OPERATING INCOME £53,786.33

NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) £53,786.33

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As of March 31, 2023

	Total
FIXED ASSET	
Total Fixed Asset	
CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND	
Co-op Current Account	£41,864.31
Co-op Old Current Account	£82.54
Total Cash at bank and in hand	£41,946.85
DEBTORS	
1140 Grants Receivable	£0.00
Total Debtors	£0.00
CURRENT ASSETS	
Total Current Assets	£0.00
NET CURRENT ASSETS	£41,946.85
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE IN ONE YEAR	
Trade Creditors	
2000 Accounts Payable	£2,224.00
Total Trade Creditors	£2,224.00
Current Liabilities	
2400 Payroll Liabilities	
HMRC	2435.12
Pension	176.90
Total 2400 Payroll Liabilities	2612.02
Total Current Liabilities	2612.02
Total Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	£4,836.02

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CHARITY FUNDS

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Surplus/(Deficit)	£22,777.87
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