

Tavistock Montessori Pre-school CIO

Trustee's Report

Period ended 5 April 2024

Legal and administrative details

Tavistock Montessori Pre-school CIO is a registered charity (no. 1200397)

It was established on 16 September 2022.

The principal address is St Peters Junior School, School Close, Greenlands, Tavistock, PL29 9HW.

Trustees

Stephanie Credicott – Chair	appointed 19 September 2023
Melanie Credicott	appointed 19 September 2023
Michale Greeley	appointed 19 September 2023
Louise Hodge	appointed 19 September 2023
Martyn Ruskin	appointed 19 September 2023
Haley Shaw	appointed 19 September 2023
Jason Sleigh	appointed 19 September 2023

Independent examiner

Helen Alcock
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Objectives and activities

We are a Charity Montessori Pre-school that is currently operating in Tavistock where St Peters School is located, we provide learning for 2-5 years old following the Early Years Curriculum with Montessori ways helping them prepare for primary school and life, this is a more independent way of learning and is proven to help with self-confidence and esteem which benefits the children.

Annual Review of the period April 23'-April24'

Since Tavistock Montessori Pre-school became a C.I.O from a C.I.C it has been challenging at times and very rewarding as well, with being a charity run organisation now we are always looking for ways to raise money for resources and to support us as a business. Over the year we have done many events to raise money, firstly the team went through a tough 13-mile charity walk last year which was very hard work, unfortunately

it wasn't as successful as we would have liked it to of been, but we still managed to raise some money. We have held a couple of Open Days for the public we thought this would be a good opportunity for us to get our school out there and get new customers as well as to raise some money for the school this was a big scale event and we had to rely on outside help and trustees to make this event successful which it was but because of the scale of it we cannot do this sort of event often.

The children also get involved with our fundraising which they really enjoy doing with us they have done silly hair day, odd sock day, cake sales, fancy dress we will continue to do these types of events because it gives a chance for the children to participate and do something different in school.

The Sports Days, Graduations, Christmas Nativities we hold every year at the school we always provide cake sales, refreshments and raffles, we ask parents to help support with this by providing prizes or cakes because of being a charity it helps us out a lot when parents get involved.

This past year we have been using social media a lot to either advertise our events or finding local events we can get involved with we also been using our local newspaper to advertise our business. We have also been using methods of fundraising online through EasyFundraising, EasyFundraising is where you can go and do online shopping and certain companies offer out a small percentage donation that goes towards our school.

Tavistock Montessori this year has adapted and grown through the support of parents and trustees, using online resources and with the new 2-year-old government funding that was introduced April 2024, we are very happy with how the business is going and hope that it continues.

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Income and Expenditure Account
Year ended 5 April 2024

	2024		2023	
	£	£	£	£
Income				
Fees	8,391		8,116	
Devon County Council Early Years Funding	46,041		5,946	
Interest	332		100	
Grants received	1,500			
Donations and fundraising	913		22	
		57,178		14,183
Expenditure:				
Salaries	52,465		27,210	
Activities and equipment	1,222		1,142	
Training	0		215	
Rent	3,316		1,716	
Insurance	1,265		126	
Bank charges	63		32	
Office expenses	695		260	
Telephone	477		209	
Accountancy	700		630	
Legal and professional	900			
Depreciation of buidlings	46		27	
Depreciation of equipment	1,170		687	
		(62,319)		(32,254)
Net deficit for the year		<u><u>(5,141)</u></u>		<u><u>(18,071)</u></u>

Tavistock Montessori Pre-school CIO**Balance Sheet****As at 5 April 2024**

	2024		2023	
	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets		4,119		4,210
Current assets				
Bank and cash	20,125		25,169	
Current liabilities				
PAYE and National Insurance	(1,297)		(827)	
Accruals	<u>(1,200)</u>		<u>(1,665)</u>	
Net current assets		17,628		22,677
Total net assets		<u>21,747</u>		<u>26,887</u>
The Funds of the Charity				
Unrestricted funds				
Brought forward		25,387		
Transferred from Tavistock Montessori Pre-school CIC			8,155	
Transferred from Whitchurch Montessori Nursery School			<u>35,303</u>	
				43,458
Deficit for the year		<u>(5,141)</u>		<u>(18,071)</u>
Unrestricted funds carried forward		20,247		25,387
Restricted funds				
Brought forward		1,500		
Transferred from Tavistock Montessori Pre-school CIC				<u>1,500</u>
Total funds		<u>21,747</u>		<u>26,887</u>

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Tavistock Montessori Pre-school CIO

Year ended 5 April 2024

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) does not apply.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioner under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

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 by the charity 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 you as trustees concerning such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

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
 - a. To keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - b. To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act.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.

HF Alcock

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13 August 2024