

Rainbows Nursery Plus & After School Club Annual Report 2023 -24

A word from the Chair

As Chair I am pleased to present our annual report for Rainbows Nursery Plus & After School Club.

This is now our second year in our new, purpose built, childcare facility which continues to offer fantastic opportunities for our nursery aged pupils.

Day to Day Operations

After School Club continues to operate from within Ysgol Y Waun Primary School – providing an extended day for our school aged pupils.

Last year Rainbows Nursery Plus were able to fully resource their facility through grant funding from the local authority. This year, a grant application has paid for a new outside shelter and the astroturf area was funded from funds accrued in the account allowing pupils to work outside in all weathers.

Partnership Working

Both Rainbows Nursery Plus and After School Club deliver excellent services within the community of Chirk. Both providers work closely with partner agencies including Wrexham's Early Years team, Children's Services, Ysgol Y Waun Primary School and Chirk Playgroup.

Close working with partner agencies allows for excellent transition between providers.

Financial Pressures

Despite rising running costs we have been able to balance our books this year without relying on our reserve funding. This is a very positive outcome considering the changes we have undergone including our move into the new childcare facility – along with many unknown costs at the time.

Support with finances/ administration

Mrs Pearce (trustee) has provided admin & financial support for both providers and keeps payroll and financial paperwork up to date – working in partnership with AVOW.

Her accurate and timely preparation of paperwork allows our lead staff and trustees to consider income/ expenditure at regular intervals across the year.

Opportunities for Training

Staff are keeping up to date with training. We offer courses to benefit job roles and courses to help children's individual needs. The latest courses attended are First Aid, Safeguarding, Food Hygiene, Introduction to Curriculum Wales and Speech and Language Development.

Rainbows Nursery and After School Club receive regular training directories from accredited Early Years providers, Wrexham Local Authority and recognised online platforms.

Our Curriculum Offer

Rainbows Nursery Plus follow foundation learning experiences, supporting children's overall development and wellbeing through a structured child-centred approach. We follow the same broad education guidelines as maintained settings to ensure consistency and quality in early years education. We have a strong emphasis on play based learning so children thrive socially, emotionally, physically and cognitively. By combining both structured and free play. Our approach helps children develop essential skills that will serve them throughout their education and beyond.

Rainbows After School Club plan and deliver a range of suitable activities both indoors and outdoors that take into consideration the interests of the children. Pupils take part in arts & crafts, outdoor physical activities, indoor games and ICT based activities. Each evening pupils also enjoy a snack time – freshly prepared by the after school club staff.

Acknowledgements

Within our report we acknowledge and thank the many people who contribute to the day to day running of Rainbows Nursery & After School Club.

We especially thank our staff, Rachel, Kay, Tracy, Michelle, Katie, Gill, Dianne & Sophie who provide two excellent childcare provisions for the community of Chirk.

We also thank our supportive parents and volunteers and finally our trustees who support with the wider administration of both providers.

Written by J. Roberts – June 2024

Rainbows Nursery Plus & After School Club Accounts (26/2/24 – 31/08/24)

 CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES	RAINBOWS NURSERY PLUS AND AFTERSCHOOL CLUB (NPI) (11517)		CC16a
	Receipts and payments accounts		
For the period from	Period start date 26/02/2024	To	Period end date 31/08/2024

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					
Joint - RAINBOWS FEE GRANTS	31,604	-	-	31,604	-
Joint - RAINBOWS CANOPY GRANT	14,741	-	-	14,741	-
Joint - RAINBOWS CASH FEES	12,138	-	-	12,138	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	58,483	-	-	58,483	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	58,483	-	-	58,483	-
A3 Payments					
Joint - RAINBOWS WAGES	36,482	-	-	36,482	-
Joint - RAINBOWS PENSION	1,448	-	-	1,448	-
Joint - RAINBOWS RENT	2,917	-	-	2,917	-
Joint - RAINBOWS BANK CHARGES	60	-	-	60	-
Joint - RAINBOWS Light, Heating, Internet, Postal	1,210	-	-	1,210	-
Joint - RAINBOWS NP INS	210	-	-	210	-
Joint - RAINBOWS GOV COSTS	1,019	-	-	1,019	-
Joint - COST OF GEN VOL RECEIPTS	1,000	-	-	1,000	-
Joint - RESOURCES	5,497	-	-	5,497	-
Sub total	49,843	-	-	49,843	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	49,843	-	-	49,843	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	8,640	-	-	8,640	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	63,265	-	-	63,265	-
Cash funds this year end	71,905	-	-	71,905	-

This is to certify that the above accounts are an accurate record of the figures in the books of account for the above organisation and are a true representation of the organisation as of the 31.08.24

Signed S. Millington Date 26/06/25 Independent Examiner. S. Millington



**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
RAINBOWS NURSERY PLUS & AFTERSCHOOL CLUB

**On accounts for the year
ended**

**26th February 2024 to
31st August 2024**

**Charity no
(if any)** **1207186**

Set out on pages

N/A

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 24th February 2024 to 31st August 2024.

**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 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.

Signed: 

Date: **26/6/25**

Name: **Sarah Millington**

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

Financial experience in my job role.

Address: **26 Spring Gardens, Wrexham, LL11 2NX**

Section B

Disclosure

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.

N/A