

BARN EDUCATION ASSOCIATION LTD

Report and Accounts

Year ended 31 August 2023

Company Registration Number: 922113

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Company and Charitable Status

Barn Education Association Ltd is a company, limited by guarantee without share capital, registered in England under the Companies Act. It is a charitable company, registered with the Charity Commissioners

Executive Committee

As required by OFSTED and executed at 18 April 2023 EGM – see page 3

Registered office Atwood Avenue
Kew, Richmond
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Registered Company number 922113

Charity number 281251

Bankers Metro Bank & Barclays Bank

Independent examiner Adams Tax & Accountancy Services Ltd
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The Barn Nursery Manager

Tracy Baker – from 17/04/2023

Louisa Minas – to 16/04/2023

Executive Committee

as appointed at AGM on 06/12/2022

Rowena Ridout - Chair

Sonal Patel - Treasurer – appointed 06/12/2022

Jessica Dowding - Secretary – resigned 06/12/2022

Bernadette Bird - Treasurer – resigned 06/12/2022

Kelly Rees-Roberts

Hannah White – appointed 06/12/2022

Amber Shore – appointed 06/12/2022

Callum Clarke – appointed 06/12/2022

The Directors present their report and the accounts for the year ended 31 August 2023.

Review of Activities

The principal activity during the year, in accordance with the Company's Objectives to provide preschool education facilities as stated in its Memorandum of Association, was that of running The Barn Nursery.

The charity is established for, and all its activities are focused on the furtherance of its charitable purposes for the public benefit, as required by Charity Law.

During the year ended 31 August 2023 the average number of children in daily attendance at the school was 16 (2022: 16).

Assistance with fees was given to 4 children (2022: 2 children).

Results

The results of the year are set out on pages 5 to 8. There was a deficit of £8,246 in the year to 31 August 2023 (2022: deficit £14,673), and at that date the net assets amounted to £25,909 (2022: £34,155).

Reserves

The charity had a deficit of £8,246 in the year ended 31 August 2023, reducing its year end reserves to £25,909.

It is recognised that the charity needs to maintain a certain level of reserves to be sure of meeting its financial obligations, payroll obligations in particular, in the event of fees or grants received late, or should it suffer a deficit in its Annual Income and Expenditure Account.

Another substantial deficit is expected in the forthcoming year to 31st August 2024, reducing reserves to an estimated £6,000.

The charities reserve policy, which is reviewed regularly, is to hold the equivalent of half a term's expenses as undistributed reserves on bank deposit, currently calculated to be approximately £12,000.

£802 was contributed to reserves from fund-raising activities in the year together with £405 of donations (including £400 of donated Acceptance Deposits), giving a total of £1,207: this £1,207 was fully expended in the year to subsidise payroll costs.

Given the charity's declining reserves, and the strong possibility of the reserves becoming exhausted in the next financial year, the Trustees made the difficult decision to wind up the Nursery at the end of the 2023/24 academic year (effective 31 August 2024). This decision was executed at the Annual General Meeting held on 24 January 2024. The remaining reserves will be used to ensure the proper winding up of the nursery and that all liabilities are discharged.

Organisational Structure: Trustees, Directors and Committee Members

Barn Education Association Ltd is the charitably registered limited company which runs the Barn Nursery, a charity managed by a Board of Trustees, and a company, by a Board of Directors. Both of these functions are fulfilled by the Committee as shown on page 1, elected at the AGM.

All references in the financial statements to "trustees" or to "directors" should therefore be taken as being synonymous with each other and with members of the Committee.

OFSTED's "Nominated Person" is the Nursery Manager and its rules require her to be both a member of the Committee and one of the legally appointed Company Directors. These requirements were executed at an EGM held on 18 April 2023, with both EYA and Charity Commission approval.

Companies House Appointed Directors

R Ridout - Chair
S Patel - Treasurer – appointed 06/12/2022
T Baker - Nursery Manager – appointed 17/04/2023
B Bird - Treasurer – resigned 06/12/2022
L Minas - Nursery Manager – resigned 16/04/2023

Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

The directors are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the Financial Statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under the law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accountancy Practice (United Kingdom Accountancy Standards and applicable law). The financial statements are required to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing those financial statements the directors are required to:

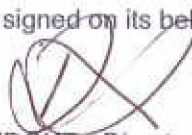
- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The directors' report is prepared in accordance with the exemptions available to companies subject to the small companies regime within part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

This report was approved by the Board of Directors on 20 June 2024.

and signed on its behalf by



R RIDOUT - Director

DATE 26/06/24

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 August 2023 set out on pages 3 to 8.

Respective responsibilities of the Board of Directors and independent examiner

The trustees (who are also the company directors for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under s.144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility:

- to examine the accounts under s.145 of the 2011 Act
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under s.145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act
- 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 Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the company 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:
 - to keep proper accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006 and
 - to prepare accounts which agree with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities

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.

Josie Adams
Director
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Surrey
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Barn Education Association Ltd
Statement of financial activities for the year ended 31 August 2023

		2023	2022
The notes on pages 7 to 9 form part of these accounts.			
	Notes	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES			
Fees	1c	43,262	40,874
Fee Subsidy grants	2	<u>32,969</u>	<u>41,727</u>
		76,231	82,601
Lunch Club income	2	8,898	1,440
Breakfast Club income	2	4,504	0
Donations received		405	2,200
Fund raising net income	1c	782	1,324
Bank deposit interest		109	3
Other income		55	0
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		<u>90,984</u>	<u>87,568</u>
RESOURCES EXPENDED			
Rent		6,945	6,945
Educational Supplies		1,733	1,234
Accountancy Fees		1,000	1,000
Staff Training and Welfare		1,007	350
Insurance		1,213	1,231
Cleaning		2,256	2,680
Year-end industrial clean		0	1,340
Repairs and maintenance		749	345
IT costs		1,083	895
Telephone		655	576
Postage, Stationery and Printing		152	254
Sundry expenses		169	223
Bank charges		93	99
Extracurricular activities		535	1,254
		<u>17,590</u>	<u>18,426</u>
Wages, salaries, pension & NIC	3	79,427	81,216
Depreciation of fixed assets		2,213	2,599
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		<u>99,230</u>	<u>102,241</u>
NET OUTGOING RESOURCES/ NET DECREASE IN FUNDS		£(8,246)	£(14,673)
FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD 1/9/22		34,155	48,828
FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD 31/8/23		<u>£25,909</u>	<u>£34,155</u>

Barn Education Association Ltd
Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2023

		2023	2022
The notes on pages 7 to 8 form part of these accounts			
	Notes	£	£
FIXED ASSETS			
Furniture, equipment, and playground	4	404	2,617
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors and prepayments:			
-prepaid insurance		739	684
-unpaid fees		830	30
- prepaid pension contributions		40	0
		1,609	714
Bank Deposit & Current accounts		25,696	34,117
		27,305	34,831
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year			
Accountancy Fees		1,000	1,000
Acceptance Deposits held		800	300
Other creditors		0	1,993
		1,800	3,293
Net current assets/(liabilities)		25,505	31,538
NET ASSETS			
		£25,905	£34,155
Represented by:			
Unrestricted fund		£25,905	£34,155

For the financial year ended 31 August 2023 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 Companies Act 2006 and no notice has been deposited under Section 476. The directors acknowledge their responsibility for ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with section 386 and for preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and of its result for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of section 396 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the special provisions within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Approved by the Board of Directors on 20 June 2024 and signed on its behalf by


S PATEL - DIRECTOR

1. Accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Section 1A (Small Entities) of Financial Reporting Standard 102, and the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (SORP 2005).

a. Accounting Convention.

The financial statements are prepared on the Historical Cost Convention.

b. Fixed Assets.

Depreciation is provided on fixed assets at rates calculated to write off their cost less estimated residual value as follows:

Furniture and Equipment – 25% on Cost.

c. Incoming Resources.

Incoming Resources are recognised in the Financial Statements at the time at which they are made available to the charity. Incoming resources include fees and grants, which are recognised according to the term to which they relate, and fund-raising income is recognised in the period in which it is received.

Fund raising/donated income is credited to Unrestricted Funds, unless the advertised purpose of the fund-raising event/the donor has imposed a restriction on the use of the funds, in which case it is credited to a separate Restricted Fund.

2. Grants.

Under the Government's Early Education Funding Plan, the parents of certain children are entitled to a fee-subsidy grant. These grants are claimed, administered, and received by the charity on the parents' behalf, and are used to top-up the reduced fees paid by those parents. In the year the charity received grants totalling £32,969 (2022: £41,727) from the London Borough of Richmond-upon-Thames (LBRUT).

3. Company Status

The company is a company limited by guarantee without share capital and its members comprise one parent or guardian for each child registered at the Nursery. The liability of each member is limited to £1.

The company is a registered charity, number 281251, and is recognised as a charitable body for education purposed by the Department of Education and Science. It is not liable to pay Corporation Tax. The company is also registered under the Childrens' Act and, as such, its fee income is exempt for VAT purposes.

4. Income and Expenditure Account.

The prescribed profit and loss account formats required by Schedule 1 of the Companies Act 2006 have not been adhered to in disclosing the financial results of the company for the year ended 31 August 2023. It is in the opinion of the Directors that strict adherence to these formats would be misleading and would prevent its financial statements from complying with SORP 2005 "Accounting by Charities" and from showing a true and fair view.

In accordance with the requirements of SORP 2005 the company's Income and Expenditure Account for the year is set out on page 5 in the form of a Statement of Financial Activities. This is equivalent to an Income and Expenditure Account, and thus complies with the requirement of accounting standard FRS3.

The "Net Outgoing Resources" result for the year is equivalent to the deficit of income over expenditure result for the year.

3. Wages and Salaries

	2023 £	2022 £
Directors'/Trustees' remuneration:		
-B Bird	1,405	4,215
-L Minas (to 16/04/2023)	18,949	35,521
-T Baker (from 17/04/2023)	7,878	-
Staff wages and salaries	49,983	38,660
Employers' National Insurance	413	1,664
Employers' NEST pension contributions	799	1,156
	<u>£79,427</u>	<u>£81,216</u>
TOTAL	£79,427	£81,216

The Directors'/Trustees' remuneration above was paid to B Bird for bookkeeping services provided in her capacity as Treasurer, and to L Minas and T Baker for managerial/practitioner services provided in their roles as Manager and Practitioner. In accordance with Charity Law, these payments have been authorised by the other Trustees who have deemed them to be for essential services, remunerated at reasonable, market rates of remuneration, and in the Charity's best interests. In common with the other Trustees, the above-named individuals are not remunerated for their voluntary trustee services.

Average number of staff employed was 5.

During the year the following expenses were reimbursed to a total of 2 Trustees (2022: 2 Trustees)

	2023 £	2022 £
- Fixed Asset Additions	0	480
- IT costs	80	250
- Fund Raising expenses	20	0
- Employee costs	299	0
- Education Supplies	77	0
	<u>£476</u>	<u>£730</u>
TOTAL	£476	£730

4. Tangible assets

	£
Furniture, Equipment and Playground	
Cost	
At September 1 2022	68,630
Additions	0
Disposals	0
At August 31 2023	<u>68,630</u>
Depreciation	
At September 1 2022	66,013
Charge for year	2,213
At August 31 2023	<u>68,226</u>
Net book value – August 31 2022	<u>£2,617</u>
Net book value – August 31 2023	<u>£404</u>

