

Charity number: 286158

THE CENTRE PRE-SCHOOL

**TRUSTEES' REPORT AND UNAUDITED
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2023

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE CENTRE PRE-SCHOOL

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Centre Pre-School ('the charity') for the year ended 31 July 2023 which comprise the summary of receipts and payments and the statement of assets and liabilities.

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's trustees those matters I am required to state to them in this report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees as a body, for my work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity 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 charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

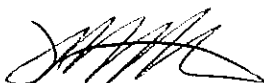
An independent examination does not involve gathering all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently does not cover all the matters that an auditor considers in giving their opinion on the accounts. The planning and conduct of an audit goes beyond the limited assurance that an independent examination can provide. Consequently I express no audit opinion on the accounts and my report is limited to those specific matters set out in the independent examiner's statement.

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:

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with those records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other 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.



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Date:25/4/24

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2023

The trustees present their annual report and the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 July 2023.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the charity's trust deed, the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) as updated by bulletin 1 and 2.

Reference and Administrative Information

The Centre Pre-School, whose registered address is at The Lifelong Learning Centre, Churchill Avenue, Basildon, Essex SS14 2EQ registered with the Charity Commissioners No. 286158 and is constituted by a constitution which is based upon the Pre School Learning Alliance Standards Constitution.

The Charity is administered by a committee comprising:

Chairperson – Rebecca Coldham

Secretary – Danielle Lucas

Treasurer – Rebecca Palmer

Other Members – Katie Long, Vicki Hemingway, Shereen Robinson, Lauren Battram

All members held office for the whole year with new committee being elected by the parents of the children attending the pre-school.

Public Benefit

The trustees are aware of their duty under S.17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Public Benefit Guidance published by the Charity Commission. As such, the Trustees ensure that the grants and activities of the Charity are for public benefit. The pre-school is for the benefit of pre-school age children from the local area.

Objectives of the Charity

At The Centre Pre-School we enhance the development and education of children under statutory school age in a parent-involving, community-based group. We provide a safe, secure and stimulating environment. We work within a framework which ensures equality of opportunity for all children and families.

Activities and Achievements of the Charity

- Children's grant funding was received from Essex County Council Early Years for 2-, 3- and 4-year old children.
- Early Years Pupil Premium for disadvantaged 3- and 4-year-old children was received from Essex County Council which enabled us to purchase equipment and provide support to benefit the children's education.
- The committee endeavour to administer the charity to a high standard and are pleased with the results for the year under review.
- A grant was received from Nisa as a contribution towards renewal of the fencing around the Pre-School site

Financial position

Year ended 2023 saw an increase in income 2023 £118,984 (2022: £104,424) due to increased pupil numbers and better Early Years Funding rates compared to 2022.

Expenditure increased during 2023 £114,176 (2022: £91,519) this was primarily due to the impact of increased staffing and payroll costs.

Reserves increased to £133,812 (2022: £129,004) and this level of reserves is reasonable to ensure the financial stability of the trust in the event that pupil numbers reduce in the coming years



On behalf of the trustees

Dated: 19.04.24

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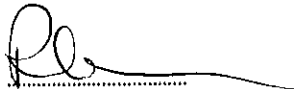
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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

AS AT 31 JULY 2023

	2023	2022
	£	£
CURRENT ASSETS		
Bank Account	110,030	102,730
Cash Account	580	423
Nest	1,998	4,783
Contingency Account	21,204	21,068
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Net assets	133,812	129,004
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These financial statements were approved by the trustees on 19.4.24 and signed on their behalf by:



R Coldham
Trustee

THE CENTRE PRE-SCHOOL**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS****AS AT 31 JULY 2023**

	2023	2022
Receipts		
Early Years Funding	107,811	88,595
Fees	7,405	13,860
Fundraising	1,074	1,487
Interest received	875	72
Welfare (Milk Reimbursement)	319	410
Nisa Grant	1,500	-
Total	118,984	104,424
Payments		
Admin expenses	-	1,728
Accountancy/ professional fees	1,500	2,134
Education costs	3,798	-
Equipment & maintenance	1,198	1,906
Fundraising expenses	63	57
Insurance	973	945
Miscellaneous	1,180	1,155
Rent & telephone	8,672	8,138
Training expenses	861	717
Wages & payroll costs	94,625	74,282
Welfare (milk) expenses	1,306	457
Total	114,176	91,519
Net receipt for the year	4,808	12,905
Correction to opening position	-	20,735
Cash and bank balances b/fwd	129,004	95,364
Cash and bank balances c/fwd	133,812	129,004