

**THE CENTRE PRE-SCHOOL**

**TRUSTEES' REPORT AND UNAUDITED  
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025**

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**THE CENTRE PRE-SCHOOL**

**Trustees**

Rebecca Coldham  
Danielle Lucas  
Rebecca Palmer  
Shereen Robinson  
Lilly Rogers  
Maria Suciu  
Tamanna Mukith  
Courtney Styrants (appointed 8 December 2025)  
Chloe Wallington (appointed 8 December 2025)  
Keeley Wall (appointed 8 December 2025)

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**Independent Examiner**

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**Registered Charity No:**

286158

## **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 2025 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: 30 March 2026

## **THE CENTRE PRE-SCHOOL**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025**

The trustees present their annual report and the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 July 2025.

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 – Shereen Robinson

Lilly Rogers

Maria Suci

Tamanna Mukith

Courtney Styrants (appointed 8 December 2025)

Chloe Wallington (appointed 8 December 2025)

Keeley Wall (appointed 8 December 2025)

#### **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.

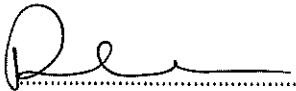
- The committee endeavour to administer the charity to a high standard and are pleased with the results for the year under review.
- The pre-school did fundraising and over the year we raised a total £100. This was obtained through our PJ fundraising day.

### **Financial position**

Year ended 2025 saw an increase in income £121,038 (2024: £99,414) due to pupil numbers increasing.

Expenditure decreased during 2025 £126,242 (2024: £131,050) this was primarily due to the impact of Fence repair works and increased accountancy fees in the prior year.

Reserves increased to £96,971 (2024: £102,175) 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: 25.02.26

**THE CENTRE PRE-SCHOOL**

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**

**AS AT 31 JULY 2025**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
Bank Account	71,899	78,268
Cash Account	2,115	1,484
Nest	1,164	917
Contingency Account	21,793	21,506
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<b>Net assets</b>	96,971	102,175
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These financial statements were approved by the trustees on 25.02.26 and signed on their behalf by:



R Coldham  
Trustee

**THE CENTRE PRE-SCHOOL****RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS****AS AT 31 JULY 2025**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
<b>Receipts</b>		
Early Years Funding	114,838	94,724
Fees	4,604	2,155
Fundraising	100	574
Interest received	1,345	1,676
Welfare (Milk Reimbursement)	151	284
Nisa Grant	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>121,038</b>	<b>99,413</b>

**Payments**

Accountancy/ professional fees	3,538	4,476
Education costs	876	1,179
Equipment & maintenance	886	5,218
Fundraising expenses	-	-
Insurance	1,134	1,019
Miscellaneous	789	1,145
Rent & telephone	8,371	8,450
Training expenses	290	824
Wages & payroll costs	109,435	107,495
Welfare (milk) expenses	923	1,244
<b>Total</b>	<b>126,242</b>	<b>131,050</b>

Net (payment)/receipt for the year	(5,204)	(31,637)
Correction to opening position		-

<b>Cash and bank balances b/fwd</b>	<b>102,175</b>	<b>133,812</b>
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<b>Cash and bank balances c/fwd</b>	<b>96,971</b>	<b>102,175</b>
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