

Beatrix Potter Primary School Parent Teacher Association
Charity Number 289615
Report of the Trustees
For the Year Ended 31 August 2024

The trustees present their report and the financial statements of the charity for the year to 31 August 2024. The charity is registered with the Charity Commission, number 289615. The charity is an unincorporated association, governed by the Beatrix Potter School PTA Constitution document, registered address: Magdalen Road, London, SW18 3ER.

Aim and purposes

The principal activity of the charity is to enrich the educational experience of children attending Beatrix Potter School, Magdalen Road, Wandsworth, London, SW18 3ER by providing facilities and resources for education (not normally provided by the Education Authorities).

Objectives and activities

The PTA plans various fundraising events which provide additional funding to the school and allow it to provide a broader range of educational activities than would otherwise be possible if it solely relied on funding by the Education Authorities. This benefits the pupils of the school by introducing them to new educational, cultural and extra-curricular activities that help to develop and further their awareness of others, confidence and general knowledge. Activities are carefully selected so that pupils of all abilities can participate and benefit positively from their participation. Additionally, the PTA funding helps to ensure that no pupils are prevented from attending due to personal circumstances.

In planning our activities during the year, we have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Achievement and performance

The PTA was able to fund or assist with the funding of various items and events throughout the year, the key ones being as follows:

- Various landscaping, playground and improvement works around the school
- Sports and cultural; contribution each term towards the improvement of facilities and teaching at the school.
- Literacy; providing books along with storytellers and poets who visited the school.

The PTA continues to successfully raise funds through regular events and introduction of new events. The main fundraising events were the Summer Fete, held in July 2024. The Charity also runs discos and movie nights for the children, cake and second-hand uniform sales, social events for parents and various Christmas events (cards, wrap, trees), all of which provide some level of fundraising to the school. The PTA has also been in receipt of sponsorship money for events and matched funding. Apart from raising funds, the events also promote a sense of community and teamwork amongst pupils, teachers and parents of the school.

Public Benefit

As a charity, we remain mindful of our commitment to public benefit by working to fulfil our charitable aims and we have referred to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning our future activities.

Financial Review

The Financial Review from past few years highlighted expectations for the PTA to materially increase spending in the coming few years given Charity has higher than expected cash balances following a few successful years of fundraising. Charity's net funds movement for the year amounted to expenditure of £26,412, which brought the balance on the accumulated fund down to £42,833. Funds are held as cash. The broad aim of the PTA is to match its net income with donations to the school.

There are currently significant projects under way including outdoor areas reconstruction and modernisation, playground equipment, further upgrades to IT equipment and sports equipment.

Reserves

The Charity aims to hold reserves at a level to ensure the Charity is operating in a sustainable manner, to enable financing of future fundraising events, and to respond to urgent funding requests from the school to upgrade school facilities in instances whereby school finances are unable to fund themselves, for example with new playground equipment. The Trustees consider an amount in between £20,000 to £30,000 to be sufficient to hold as reserves.

Going Concern

The Trustees have assessed the Charity's financial position and believe that there are no material uncertainties that call into doubt the Charity's ability to continue. The accounts have therefore been prepared on a going concern basis.

Trustees

All parents of the school are members of the Parent Teacher Association, along with teachers and the School Head. Members of the committee are appointed as trustees and are elected at an Annual General Meeting.

The trustees who served on a voluntary basis during the period and members of the BP PTA Steering Committee were as follows:

Liz O'Donovan, Liz Bibby

Andrew Mullins, Treasurer

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature



Full name Andrew Mullins

Position Treasurer

Dated 24/06/2025

Profit and Loss

Beatrix Potter School PTA

For the year ended 31 August 2024

	2024	2023
Turnover		
Other Revenue	16,106.89	17,280.19
Sales	55,866.58	29,118.44
Total Turnover	71,973.47	46,398.63
Cost of Sales		
Cost of Goods Sold	24,814.70	10,918.90
Direct Expenses	-	3,218.62
Total Cost of Sales	24,814.70	14,137.52
Gross Profit	47,158.77	32,261.11
Administrative Costs		
Bank Fees	824.40	-
Charitable and Political Donations	72,326.93	35,279.32
Insurance	153.00	-
IT Software and Consumables	162.00	162.00
Rates	105.00	-
Subscriptions	-	140.00
Total Administrative Costs	73,571.33	35,581.32
Operating Profit	(26,412.56)	(3,320.21)
Profit on Ordinary Activities Before Taxation	(26,412.56)	(3,320.21)
Profit after Taxation	(26,412.56)	(3,320.21)

Balance Sheet

Beatrix Potter School PTA As at 31 August 2024

	31 AUG 2024	31 AUG 2023
Current Assets		
Cash at bank and in hand		
Barclays Business Banking #001	40,421.90	58,749.92
Barclays Business Banking Curr	2,659.65	8,077.19
Total Cash at bank and in hand	43,081.55	66,827.11
Accounts Receivable	-	2,667.00
Total Current Assets	43,081.55	69,494.11
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		
VAT	248.33	248.33
Total Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	248.33	248.33
Net Current Assets (Liabilities)	42,833.22	69,245.78
Total Assets less Current Liabilities	42,833.22	69,245.78
Net Assets	42,833.22	69,245.78
Capital and Reserves		
Current Year Earnings	(26,412.56)	(3,320.21)
Retained Earnings	69,245.78	72,565.99
Total Capital and Reserves	42,833.22	69,245.78



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name

Beatrix Potter Primary School Parent Teacher Association

On accounts for the year
ended

31 August 2024

Charity no
(if any)

289615

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/08/2024.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 all 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:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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.

Signed:

Date:

24/06/2025

Name:

Gareth Bennett

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

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Section B**Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material 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.