



Garth Under Fives Nursery

Charity number: 291749

Trustee Report and Unaudited Annual
Accounts for the period 2023 - 2024

As at 31 March 2024





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WELCOME MESSAGE

I would like to extend a warm welcome to all our families, committee members, and staff.

At Garth Under 5s Nursery, our focus is always on creating a safe, nurturing, and stimulating environment where children feel happy, confident, and encouraged to learn through play. We are committed to supporting each child's individual development and ensuring they are well prepared for their next steps.

Over the past year, we have seen many positive moments, from the children's progress and achievements to the continued support from parents and the committee. I would like to thank our dedicated staff team for their hard work, professionalism, and commitment, they truly make a difference every day.

I would also like to thank the committee for their ongoing support and guidance. Their work behind the scenes plays a vital role in ensuring the nursery continues to run smoothly and develop for the future.

We look forward to another positive year ahead, working together to provide the best possible experience for the children in our care.

Thank you.

Lyn Lyczba
Nursery Manager
Level 3 safeguarding
Special educational needs

WHAT WE DO

At Garth Under Fives Nursery, we aim to create a nurturing, safe, and stimulating environment that fosters curiosity, confidence, and a love for learning in every child. We're thrilled to welcome you and look forward to partnering with you to support your child's early development journey.

PLAY, LEARN, GROW

From infants to preschoolers, our programmes are designed to help children from 22 months to 5 years, reach their full potential.



✓ Safe & Secure Facility

✓ Fun & Educational Programs



For More Information
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Visit Our Website
www.garthunderfivesnursery.com



Our Location
Braybrooke Hall, Makepiece Road,
Priestwood, Bracknell, RG42 2HF

DAILY ROUTINE

Each day at Garth Under Fives Nursery is structured to include a blend of activities that support your child's cognitive, social, and physical development.

Activities may include:

- ✓ **Circle Time:** Storytelling, singing, and group discussions.
- ✓ **Creative Play:** Painting, crafts, and music sessions.
- ✓ **Outdoor Exploration:** Nature walks, outdoor play, and hands-on discovery.
- ✓ **Learning Zones:** Access to our story corner, building area, and creative space.

Programme Features:

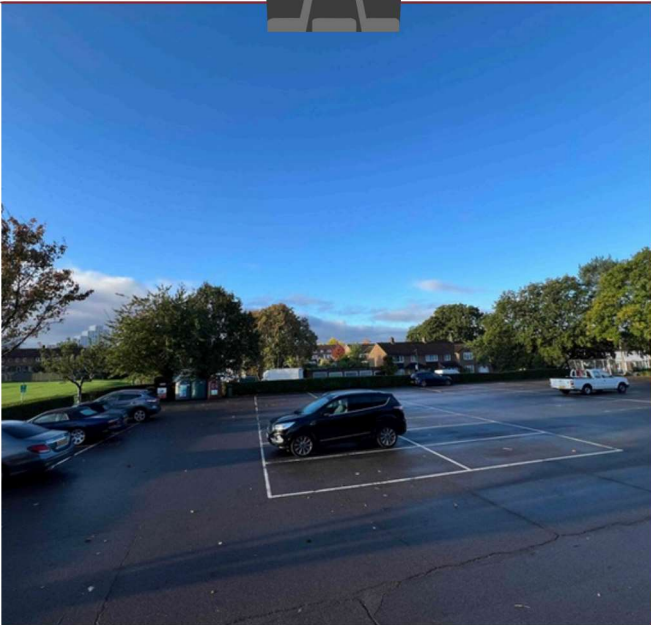
- ✓ Early Education
- ✓ Play-Based Curriculum
- ✓ Individualised Learning
- ✓ Outdoor Play



GALLERY



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Free On-site Parking



Wheelchair Accessible



Washrooms



Washrooms

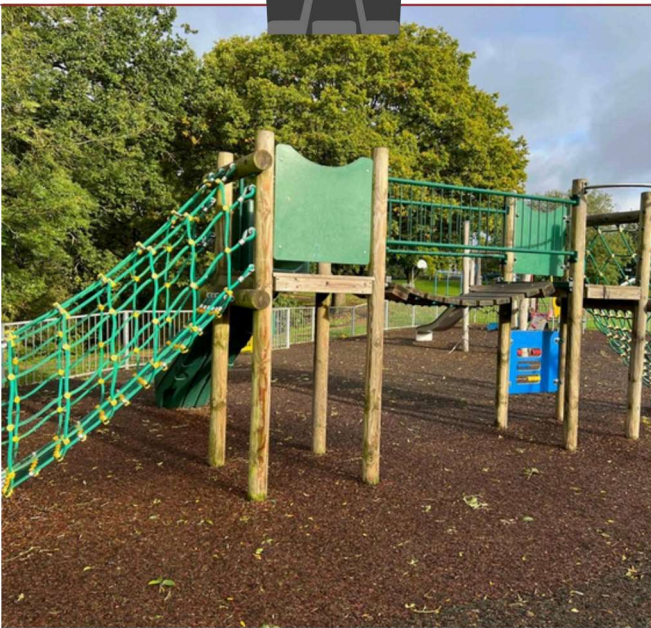
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Playground



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Administrative Details

Charity Name: Garth Under 5s Nursery

Charity Number: 291749

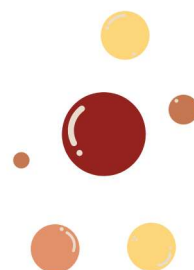
Principal Address: Braybrooke Hall, Makepiece Road,
Priestwood, Bracknell, Berkshire, RG42 2HF

Trustees:

- Alisa Hill - **Chairperson**
- Mia Dowling - **Treasure**
- Nasreen Mohamed - **Chairperson** *(From Oct 2024)*
- Karen Marden **Treasurer** *(From Oct 2024)*
- Bharti Abhistiekh Mistura - **Secretary**
- Richa Likhari
- Rocio Gonzalex Camacho
- Sophie Corrigan

Senior Staff

Lyn Lyczba - **Nursery Manager**





Professional Advisors

Independent Examiner / Accountant:

CLP Bookkeeping & Accountancy

18 Maple Crescent

Trefechan

Merthyr Tydfil

Mid Glamorgan

CF48 2EH

Bankers:

NatWest Bank

5 High Street,

Bracknell, Berkshire,

RG12 1DH

Insurance Provider:

Morton Michael Insurance

6th Floor Knollys House,

17 Addiscombe Road,

Croydon, Surrey, CR0 6SR





Structure, Governance and Management

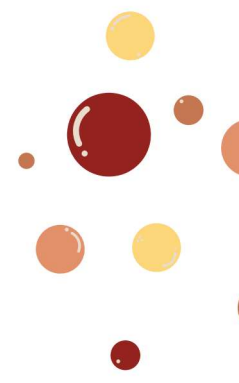
The nursery is governed by an Early Learning Alliance constitution and operates as an association.

Trustees are elected by parents of the nursery at the Annual General Meeting (AGM). The committee is responsible for the overall management, governance and financial oversight of the nursery.

The committee meets at least twice a year and works closely with the Nursery Manager to ensure the effective day-to-day running of the nursery.

Trustees are required to hold enhanced DBS checks to ensure suitability for their role.

The committee also participates in staff recruitment, with at least one officer involved in the interview process alongside the Nursery Manager.





Objectives of the Nursery

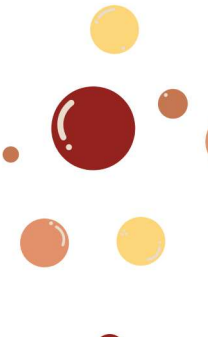
The objective of the nursery is to provide education and learning opportunities for children between the ages of 2 and 5 years.

The nursery holds an Annual General Meeting once a year to elect committee members, who may be family members or members of the wider community.

The committee ensures that the nursery accounts are maintained and verified each year and meets at least twice annually. The committee is responsible for ensuring that the Nursery Manager oversees the running of the nursery and staff.

A main officer of the committee is involved in interviews for new staff members alongside the Nursery Manager.

The Chairperson ensures that all committee members hold an enhanced DBS check to confirm there are no safeguarding concerns or criminal records that would affect their suitability for the role.





Activities undertaken for Public Benefit

The nursery is open to all children aged 2 to 5 years from the surrounding area and wider community.


Nursery fees are kept as low as possible to ensure that families not eligible for Government funding can still access early years education and opportunities for their children to learn and play alongside others.

Staff hold appropriate qualifications to support this age group and all staff members hold enhanced DBS checks and first aid certificates to ensure the safety and wellbeing of the children.

The nursery welcomes children of all abilities and works alongside external professionals to support children with language delays, physical delays, and family support needs.

The nursery is registered with Ofsted and affiliated with the Early Learning Alliance. Children learn through play-based activities provided by staff to support all areas of development in line with the EYFS Framework.

The nursery also provides opportunities for outdoor play, recognising that not all children have access to outdoor space at home.





Achievements and Performance

During the year, the nursery continued to provide a valuable service to the community.

Key highlights include:


- The nursery reached full capacity, partly due to increased government funding for younger children
- Following an increase in minimum wage, staff salaries were reviewed and the committee approved an increase
- Despite staffing challenges, the team has now stabilised following several changes
- The nursery underwent an Ofsted inspection on 4 June 2024, the first since 2018, and performed well
- Staff continued their professional development, including completing first aid training
- A new lunch club provision was introduced, allowing children to stay longer for an additional fee
- The nursery maintained strong engagement with families through its Facebook page

Fundraising Activities

Fundraising events included:

- Christmas concert and raffle
- Summer fun day and sports day

These events were well attended and enjoyed by families and children.





Financial Review

The nursery's main sources of income are:

- Government funding for registered children
- Parent-paid fees for children not fully covered by Government funding
- Fundraising activities

Session fees are reviewed annually (normally in April) by the committee and adjusted where necessary to ensure the nursery remains financially stable and able to meet its operational costs and expenditure.

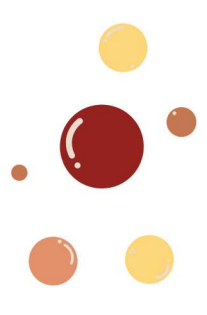
Expenditure includes:

- Staff wages
- Operational costs
- Resources and equipment

The financial position of the nursery remains stable, with consistent income and controlled expenditure.

Reserves Policy

The charity aims to maintain sufficient reserves to:

- Cover ongoing operational costs for 3 months
 - Ensure financial stability
 - Manage fluctuations in funding and income
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Other Information

The committee continues to support the nursery through governance, financial oversight, and engagement with families and staff.

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees' Annual Report above.

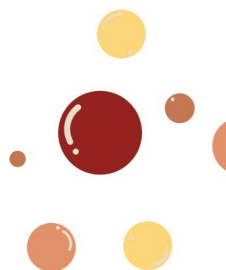
Signed on behalf of the trustees:

Signature: Nasreen Mohamed

Name: Nasreen Mohamed

Position: Chairperson

Date: 15th May 2026



Garth Under Fives Income and Expenditure for Year April 2023 March 2024

	Income	Expenditure
Balance brought forward April 23	23,168.73	
Income - Funding	85,471.38	
Income - Paid sessions	20,260.00	
Credit Notes	1,640.46	
Grant, Early years completed course	206.67	
Fundraising	267.92	
NatWest Interest	0.81	
Wages		90,150.46
Rent		7,535.50
Ink		456.94
Mobile Phone		110.00
National Employment		738.63
Safeguarding		74.00
DBS		130.00
CRB Check		65.00
HMRC, Tax, NI		4,933.58
Payroll Expenses		75.60
Pension- Nest		2,519.74
Pension- Nest Fine		4,000.00
Membership Charges PLA		118.00
Invoices		760.00
Reimbursement		549.32
Consumables		178.59
Educational Supplies		
* School Trends/ Uniform		240.90
* Consortium		101.46
* Hope Education		432.65
* Yellow Door Mobile		178.20
Misc		60.00
Misc Fees		48.00
Ikea		33.50
Cool Milk		7.04
Michael Morton		668.23
Xmas gifts		500.00
Flu Jab		17.00
Ofsted		50.00
	131,015.97	114,732.34
 Total	 16,283.63	
Total Excluding Balance B/F April 23 -	6,885.10	Net Loss

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
ON THE INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

Report to the members/trustees of: GARTH UNDER FIVES NURSERY

Registered charity number: 291749

On Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2024

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the Accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993(the Act) does not apply. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners Under section 43(7)(b) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity 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 explanation from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

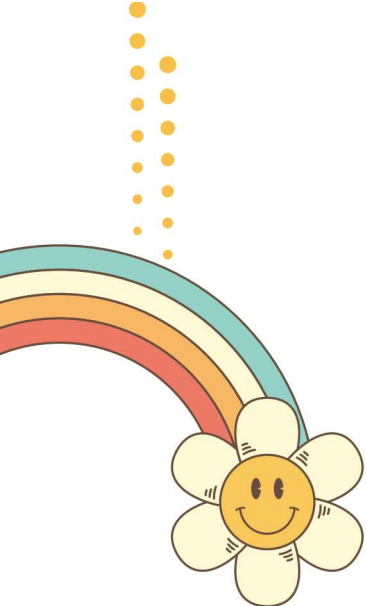
In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 41 of the Act; and to prepare accounts which accord with the Accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act.

Signature

 (DANIEL KAY)

Date:

15/09/25



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