

Charity Number: 101382
Happy Faces Playgroup

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Report and Financial Statements
for the period ended 31 August 2025

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Financial Statements
For The Year Ended 31st August 2025

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Trustee's Report **For The Year Ended 31st August 2025**

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For The Year Ended 31st August 2025 **Legal and Administrative Information**

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Address: 83A Bellspark Road
Strabane
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Trustees:
Chairperson: Fiona Elliott
Vice Chairperson: Carol McDauid
Treasurer: Emma Wray
Secretary: Margaret McBride
Vice Secretary: Barry Lafferty

Objectives and Activities

Our objectives are to provide:

- High quality play/ learn materials, including sensory equipment for children with additional needs.
- A programme of activities with an emphasis on pre school curriculum/education. We also focus on movement, music and drama, thus building confidence and social skills.
- A wide choice of play activities including outdoor activities to enable the children to grow their confidence, independence and self esteem.
- Joint activities for parents and children to encourage home learning and parental support in rural areas.
- Link with other organisations including community health teams to ensure access to services and each child is supported.

The activities aim to:

- Address the needs of children from rural and disadvantaged communities enabling a more Equal start at formal education/nursery.
- Contribute to the child's longer term achievements.
- Be accessible and affordable for children from rural/disadvantaged communities.
- Engage with children from different community backgrounds and BME communities.
- Provide learning support to children with additional needs in a supportive and integrated

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Environment.

- Provide a holistic range of support for children and families.

Achievement and Performance

Staff:

The current members of staff are Catherine Devanney as Leader and Megan Durrant as Deputy Leader. Brenda McGonigale as Assistant of the Playgroup. Along Side 3 SEN Assistants Aoife Brolly, Jillian Loughery & Cynthia Logan.

Pre-school Programme

In 2024/2025 the playgroup had 19 children in total, 5 of which were pre-pre. We work closely our Early Years Advisor to ensure the Pre-school Curriculum is implemented. Throughout the year we went on various school trips. There were celebrations at Halloween, Christmas in the setting. We also had a small graduation event took place on June 2025. Along with all of this we still found time for treats such as parties, Easter egg hunt, petting zoo and Build a Bear to name but a few!

Policies and Procedures:

Happy Faces Playgroup reviews all our policies on an annual basis. This year we updated our Maternity Leave Policy and work is continuing on a number of other policies in consultation with our HR Consultant.

Inspection:

The inspection took place on 09/12/2024 by inspector Rebecca Tierney.

Playgroup Maintenance:

Work carried out in the Playschool this year included the outdoor area, which we have totally refurbished. We have also a number of other repairs and maintenance works to be carried out which will hopefully occur during the summer break.

Fundraising:

We received funding from the National Lottery, Pathways and Education Authority. We also got a Fund Me page organised by parents to help keep the playschool open.

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Future Plans:

- Develop our outdoor area in line with the ETI recommendation.
- Staff to continue to further develop and enhance their skills by attending relevant training.
- Develop partnership working with other Community Organisations locally such as GAA & CCDA.

Public Benefit

The trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's public benefit requirement Statutory guidance.

Happy Faces Community Playgroup is registered with Western Health and Social Care Trust to support 26 children. We employ a playgroup leader, deputy and assistant and have a pool of banking staff. The service supports children living in rural areas close to the Tyrone/Donegal border. Subsequently it supports children with additional needs. Our main aims are to promote play in early education, reduce Barriers that hinder children's transition from childcare to nursery/primary school.

Structure, Governance and Management

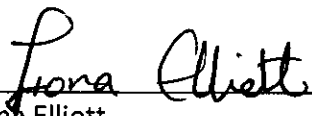
An executive committee who are all registered with CCNI manages the charity. The committee deals with the selection and appointment of new trustees.

Financial Review

The charity returned a net deficit in funds of £6,228. The results for the year are shown on page 7.

It is the policy of the charity that unrestricted funds, which have not been designated for a specific use, should be maintained at a level which will ensure that they will be able to continue the current activities in the event of a drop in funding. The charity aims to continue to increase its reserves to ensure the stability of its services and operations.

The Report was approved by the Trustees



Fiona Elliott

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For The Year Ended 31st August 2025	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2025
For The Year Ended 31st August 2025		£	£
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Cash at bank & in hand 31/08/2025	5,680.79	6,228.38	11,909.17
Surplus/(Deficit) this year end	9,245.44	(3,673.34)	5,572.10
Cash at bank & in hand 31/08/2025	24,171.90	884.74	25,056.64

Bank & Cash Balances

Bank Current Account	6,228.38
Cash in Hand	5,680.79
	<u>11,909.17</u>

Other Assets

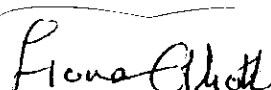
PC Equipment	1,298.97
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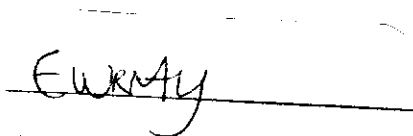
Liabilities

Accountancy Fee	268.00
HMRC PAYE	780.00
	<u>1,048.00</u>

Approved by trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Name:


Fiona
Elliott


Emma Wray

Date:

10/11/25

10/11/25

Statement of Receipts and Payments for the year ended 31st August 2025

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st August 2025, which are set out on pages 3 to 5.

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Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner

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with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

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It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act
follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by
- the Commission
under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

I have examined your charity accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act.

My examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.

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Gerald Kelly

Qualification: FCA

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Date: 6/11/2025.