

# Eglinton Community Pre-School

Northern Ireland · Charity number 106314

## Details

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**Status** Received

**Registered** 2017-06-26

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register](#)

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Purposes:** Objects 3.1 The group is established to promote play based learning environments for all children under statutory school age, (hereinafter referred to as the beneficiaries) of the NORTH WEST and it surrounding environs in County Londonderry, (hereinafter called the 'area of benefit') without distinction of age, gender, marital status, disability, sexual orientation, nationality, ethnic identify, political or religious opinion, by associating the statutory authorities, community and voluntary organisations and the inhabitants in a common effort to advance education, and in particular: a) to advance the education of the beneficiaries by the provision of safe and satisfying group play, with the right of parents/carers to take responsibility for and to become involved in the activities of the group; and to promote the preservation of health of the beneficiaries; and b) to support the values and principles of Early Years

**What the charity does:** The advancement of education

**How the charity works:** Community development,Community enterprise,Cross-border/cross-community,Playgroup/after schools

**Who the charity helps:** Ethnic minorities,General public,Learning disabilities,Parents,Physical disabilities,Preschool (0-5 year olds),Sensory disabilities,Travellers,Voluntary and community sector,Volunteers

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-08-31	£76,937	£72,915	£0	4

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Martina		
Ms Gerrie Curry		
Peter		

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# Accounts

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**EGLINTON COMMUNITY PRE-SCHOOL**

**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT**  
Year Ended: 31st August 2025

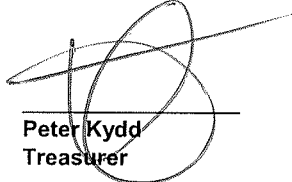
	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2025	Total 2024
		£	£	£	£
<b>Receipts</b>					
Education Authority		52,695	7,834	60,529	58,941
DOH - small grant		996	-	996	576
Halifax		-	3,916	3,916	-
APEX		-	-	-	362
Fundraising		6,525	-	6,525	10,715
Other Income	1	4,593	-	4,593	2,844
Bank interest		377	-	377	256
		<u>65,187</u>	<u>11,750</u>	<u>76,937</u>	<u>73,694</u>
<b>Payments</b>					
Nursery Expenses	2	65,812	7,103	72,915	73,023
Staff Well Being		-	153	153	139
		<u>65,812</u>	<u>7,256</u>	<u>73,068</u>	<u>73,162</u>
<b>Payments for assets</b>		-	1,649	1,649	-
<b>Total Payments</b>		<u>65,812</u>	<u>8,905</u>	<u>74,717</u>	<u>73,162</u>
<b>Surplus / (Deficit) for the year</b>		<u>(626)</u>	<u>2,845</u>	<u>2,219</u>	<u>532</u>
<b>Reconciliation 31 August 2025</b>					
Cash at bank & in hand 31 August 2024		29,312	791	30,103	29,571
Surplus/ (deficit) this year end		(626)	2,845	2,219	532
Cash at bank & in hand 31 August 2025		<u>28,686</u>	<u>3,636</u>	<u>32,322</u>	<u>30,103</u>

**Represented by:**

Current Account	10,031	8,175
Deposit Account	22,291	21,928
	<u>32,322</u>	<u>30,103</u>

Approved by the trustees on 15th January 2026 and signed on their behalf by:

  
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**Gerrie Curry**  
Chairperson

  
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**Peter Kydd**  
Treasurer

## EGLINTON COMMUNITY PRE-SCHOOL

### Notes to the Accounts Year Ended: 31st August 2025

	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
<b>Note 1</b>		
<b>Other Income</b>		
Milk money	109	509
School fees	4,484	1,885
Sale of climbing frame	-	200
Sponsorship - City of Derry Airport	-	250
	4,593	2,844
 <b>Note 2</b>		
<b>Nursery Expenses</b>		
Salaries	52,229	53,370
Rent, Heat and Light	5,135	4,995
Telephone and internet	2,023	1,552
Resources	9,219	6,996
Events - Halloween Disco & Easter Hunt	44	720
Uniforms	61	947
Early Years	478	1,248
General Expenses	649	375
Training	150	210
Building Maintenance	854	774
Insurance	976	1,055
Bank fees	73	56
Professional fees	1,025	725
	72,915	73,023

**Note 3**

**Taxation**

Eglinton Community Pre-School Centre is registered for tax purposes under Revenue reference XN45126 and accordingly is exempt from taxation.

**Note 4**

**Trustees remuneration and expenses**

No trustee received any remuneration or reimbursement of expenses during the year.

**Note 5**

**Transactions with trustees and connected persons**

No trustee or connected person were paid for services during the year.

**Eglinton Community Pre-School**

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# Accounts

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**EGLINTON COMMUNITY PRE-SCHOOL  
CHARITY NO. NIC 106314**

**TRUSTEES REPORT AND  
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS**

**YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024**

**EGLINTON COMMUNITY PRE-SCHOOL  
CHARITY NO. NIC 106314  
YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024**

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**EGLINTON COMMUNITY PRE-SCHOOL**

**CHARITY NO. NIC 106314**

**YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024**

**Trustees**

Daniel Breslin  
Gerrie Curry  
Angela McCafferty

**Committee**

Gerrie Curry	Chairperson
Martina Curry	Secretary
Daniel Breslin	Treasurer
Angela McCafferty	
Eileen Gingell	
Shannon Murphy	
Siobhan Rice	

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## **EGLINTON COMMUNITY PRE-SCHOOL CENTRE**

**CHARITY NO. NIC 106314**

### **TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST 2024**

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- b) Encouraging the study of the needs of such children and their families and promoting public interest in and recognition of such needs of such children and their families in the local area.
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CHARITY NO. NIC 106314

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#### **Public Benefit**

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The families of the children also benefit through the education and care of the children, with staff formally meeting with parents three times per year to feed back and report on children's development. There are also opportunities on a daily basis for parents to talk with staff.

The benefit for the wider community is that parents are involved in the governance of the Pre-School, and through this can access relevant training on roles of responsibility of the committee, Child Protection training, and designated officer training.

Our Pre-School is cross community and promotes respect and understanding with the children and the parents and this has had a significant impact on families and community as friendships are formed and continued when the children move to primary school.

A further benefit of our Pre-School is we work with and have close contact with other relevant professionals who may be involved with the children. Through fundraising that the committee organise, links with businesses in the village have been established and the Pre-school also has close links with day care and those who work in our community e.g. nurses. These benefits are evidenced through children's records e.g. observations, photographs and staff planning and evaluation. Parents are asked for their comments on a yearly basis through a parent questionnaire.

We are registered with the Western Health and Social Care Trust and are inspected annually. We were also inspected by ETI in 2018, with a very good grade. There is no harm arising from the purposes. The beneficiaries are the children attending the Pre-school centre and their families.

There is no private benefit flowing from the purposes of Eglinton Community Pre-School Centre.

**EGLINTON COMMUNITY PRE-SCHOOL CENTRE**

**CHARITY NO. NIC 106314**

**TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST 2024**

**Review of Public Benefit Activities 2024**

During the school year 2023/24, there were 24 children enrolled with 4 members of staff.

The group continues to run at a deficit and relies on additional efforts of fundraising to ensure the sustainability of the pre-school provision. There has been a small increase in EA funding per child but with increases in the cost-of-living following Covid-19 and parental contributions being down there is a reliance on outside funders to minimise potential deficits in running costs.

Salaries will remain fixed with possible review in the future if any changes in EA funding or an extension of the pre-school day with the introduction of standardisation in 2025.

**Financial Position**

At the year end the Charity held £30,103 in reserves. Although funding is tight we aim to keep £16,000 in reserve in order to fund future plans / cover any unforeseen funding shortages etc.

**EGLINTON COMMUNITY PRE-SCHOOL**  
**CHARITY NO. NIC 106314**  
**INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION REPORT FOR THE**  
**YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024**

**Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of Eglinton Community Pre-School**

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 August 2024, which are set out on pages 10 to 12.

**Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner**

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act,
- follow the procedure laid down in the general Directions given by the Commission under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act,
- state whether 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.

**EGLINTON COMMUNITY PRE-SCHOOL**  
**CHARITY NO. NIC 106314**  
**INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION REPORT FOR THE**  
**YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024**

**Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of Eglinton Community Pre-School Centre continued ....**

**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 the following Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.

*PFS & Partners*

PFS & Partners  
Chartered Certified Accountants  
16 Main Street  
Limavady  
BT49 0EU

Date: 29/11/2024

**EGLINTON COMMUNITY PRE-SCHOOL**

**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT**  
Year Ended: 31st August 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
		£	£	£	£
<b>Receipts</b>					
Education Authority		58,011	930	58,941	55,619
DOH - small grant		576	-	576	6,696
APEX		362	-	362	-
Fundraising		10,715	-	10,715	9,313
Other Income	1	2,844	-	2,844	1,013
Bank interest		256	-	256	29
		<u>72,764</u>	<u>930</u>	<u>73,694</u>	<u>72,670</u>
<b>Payments</b>					
Nursery Expenses	2	73,023	-	73,023	75,646
Staff Well Being		-	139	139	-
		<u>73,023</u>	<u>139</u>	<u>73,162</u>	<u>75,646</u>
<b>Payments for assets</b>					
		-	-	-	-
<b>Total Payments</b>					
		<u>73,023</u>	<u>139</u>	<u>73,162</u>	<u>75,646</u>
<b>Surplus / (Deficit) for the year</b>					
		<u>(259)</u>	<u>791</u>	<u>532</u>	<u>(2,976)</u>
<b>Reconciliation 31 August 2024</b>					
Cash at bank & in hand 31 August 2023		29,571	-	29,571	32,547
Surplus/ (deficit) this year end		(259)	791	532	(2,976)
Cash at bank & in hand 31 August 2024		<u>29,312</u>	<u>791</u>	<u>30,103</u>	<u>29,571</u>
<b>Represented by:</b>					
Current Account				8,175	7,887
Deposit Account				<u>21,928</u>	<u>21,683</u>
				<u>30,103</u>	<u>29,571</u>

Approved by the trustees on 29th November 2024 and signed on their behalf by:

X   
Gerrie Curry  
Chairperson

X   
Daniel Breslin  
Treasurer

## EGLINTON COMMUNITY PRE-SCHOOL

### Notes to the Accounts Year Ended: 31st August 2024

	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
<b>Note 1</b>		
<b>Other Income</b>		
Milk money		313
School fees	509	700
Sale of climbing frame	1,885	-
Sponsorship - City of Derry Airport	200	-
	250	-
	2,844	1,013
 <b>Note 2</b>		
<b>Nursery Expenses</b>		
Salaries		54,405
Rent, Heat and Light	53,370	5,459
Telephone and internet	4,994	1,045
Resources	1,552	5,081
Events - Halloween Disco & Easter Hunt	6,996	-
Uniforms	720	620
Early Years	947	1,443
General Expenses	1,248	-
Training	375	590
Building Maintenance	210	4,663
Insurance	774	1,010
Bank fees	1,055	311
Professional fees	56	1,019
	725	75,646
	73,023	75,646

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# Annual report

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**EGLINTON COMMUNITY PRE-SCHOOL**

**CHARITY NO. NIC 106314**

**TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST 2024**

**INTRODUCTION**

This is Eglinton Community Pre-School's Trustee Annual Report as required by the Charity Commission NI. The report relates to the period from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2023 to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2024.

This document has been prepared based on the guidance provided by the Charity Commission and Trustees have had regard to the Commission's Public Benefit requirement statutory guidance.

Signed on behalf of Trustees: -

X           A. Curry          

Date:           29/11/2024

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# Annual return

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**EGLINTON COMMUNITY PRE-SCHOOL**  
**CHARITY NO. NIC 106314**  
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CHARITY NO. NIC 106314  
INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION REPORT FOR THE  
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# Accounts

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**EGLINTON COMMUNITY PRE-SCHOOL  
CHARITY NO. NIC 106314**

**TRUSTEES REPORT AND  
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS**

**YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023**

**EGLINTON COMMUNITY PRE-SCHOOL  
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**YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023**

**Trustees**

Danny Breslin  
Angela McCafferty  
Beverley McConnell

**Committee**

Beverley McConnell	Chair
Angela McCafferty	Secretary
Daniel Breslin	Treasurer
Suzanne O'Hara	
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# Annual report

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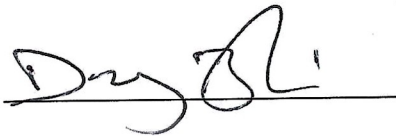
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Signed on behalf of Trustees: -

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'D. J. O' or similar, written over a horizontal line.

Date: 12/12/2023

## **EGLINTON COMMUNITY PRE-SCHOOL CENTRE**

**CHARITY NO. NIC 106314**

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## EGLINTON COMMUNITY PRE-SCHOOL CENTRE

CHARITY NO. NIC 106314

### TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST 2023

#### Public Benefit

The direct benefits that flow from our purposes are improved outcomes from pre-school children, through the development of the development of their capabilities, life skills, Independence, social skills, play skills, physical development and language and communication.

The families of the children also benefit through the education and care of the children, with staff formally meeting with parents three times per year to feed back and report on children's development. There are also opportunities on a daily basis for parents to talk with staff.

The benefit for the wider community is that parents are involved in the governance of the Pre-School, and through this can access relevant training on roles of responsibility of the committee, Child Protection training, designated officer training.

Our Pre-School is cross community and promotes respect and understanding with the children and the parents and this has had a significant impact on families and community as friendships are formed and continued when the children move to primary school.

A further benefit of our Pre-School is we work with and have close contact with other relevant professionals who may be involved with the children. Through fundraising that the committee organise, links with businesses in the village have been established and the pre-school also has close links with day care and those who work in our community e.g. nurses. These benefits are evidenced through children's records e.g. observations, photographs and staff planning and evaluation. Parents are asked for their comments on a yearly basis through a parent questionnaire.

We are registered with the Western Health and Social Care Trust and are inspected annually. We were also inspected by ETI in 2018, with a very good grade. There is no harm arising from the purposes. The beneficiaries are the children attending the pre-school centre and their families.

There is no private benefit flowing from the purposes of Eglinton Community Pre-School Centre.

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**Review of Public Benefit Activities 2023**

Covid has made the school year extremely difficult trying to manage through the covid pandemic. There has been additional income and outgoings because of covid.

Staff salaries have been realigned and this will have an impact on the budget.

Additional efforts will be needed with fundraising to ensure pre-school sustainability and minimise potential deficits in running costs.

Salaries will need to be revisited once further fundraising streams have been established and / or additional increased funding secured from EA.

**Financial Position**

At the year end the Charity held £29,571 in reserves. Although funding is tight we aim to keep £16,000 in reserve in order to fund future plans / cover any unforeseen funding shortages etc.

**Eglinton Community Pre-School**

Northern Ireland - Charity number 106314

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# Annual return

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**EGLINTON COMMUNITY PRE-SCHOOL**  
**CHARITY NO. NIC 106314**  
**INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION REPORT FOR THE**  
**YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023**

**Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of Eglinton Community Pre-School**

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 August 2023, which are set out on pages 10 to 12.

**Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner**

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act,
- follow the procedure laid down in the general Directions given by the Commission under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act,
- state whether 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.

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**YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023**

**Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of Eglinton Community Pre-School Centre continued ....**

**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 the following Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.

*PFS & Partners*

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Chartered Certified Accountants  
16 Main Street  
Limavady  
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Date: *21 November 2023*

**EGLINTON COMMUNITY PRE-SCHOOL**

**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT**  
**Year Ended: 31st August 2023**

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
		£	£	£	£
<b>Receipts</b>					
Education Authority		55,619		55,619	66,611
WHSCCT		-		-	4,900
DOH - small grant		6,696		6,696	1,294
Fundraising		9,313		9,313	1,086
Other Income	1	1,012		1,012	1,405
Bank interest		29		29	16
		<u>72,669</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>72,669</u>	<u>75,312</u>
<b>Payments</b>					
Nursery Expenses	2	75,646	-	75,646	78,753
Fundraising expenses		-	-	-	-
		<u>75,646</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>75,646</u>	<u>78,753</u>
<b>Payments for assets</b>					
		-	-	-	-
<b>Total Payments</b>					
		<u>75,646</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>75,646</u>	<u>78,753</u>
<b>Surplus / (Deficit) for the year</b>					
		<u>(2,976)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(2,976)</u>	<u>(3,441)</u>
<b>Reconciliation 31 August 2022</b>					
Cash at bank & in hand 31 August 2022		32,547	-	32,547	35,988
Surplus/ (deficit) this year end		(2,976)	-	(2,976)	(3,441)
Cash at bank & in hand 31 August 2023		<u>29,571</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>29,571</u>	<u>32,547</u>

**Represented by:**

Current Account		7,887	10,882
Deposit Account		21,683	21,665
		<u>29,571</u>	<u>32,547</u>

Approved by the trustees On 22nd November 2023 and signed on their behalf by:

**Beverley McConnell**  
 Chairperson

**Daniel Breslin**  
 Treasurer

## EGLINTON COMMUNITY PRE-SCHOOL

### Notes to the Accounts Year Ended: 31st August 2023

	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
<b>Note 1</b>		
<b>Other Income</b>		
Milk money	312	340
Children's uniforms	-	370
School fees	700	595
Donation	-	100
	1,012	1,405
 <b>Note 2</b>		
<b>Nursery Expenses</b>		
Salaries	54,405	55,547
Rent, Heat and Light	5,459	5,363
Telephone and internet	1,045	1,097
Cleaning materials	-	484
Stationery	-	13
Resources	5,081	12,696
Uniforms	620	652
Early Years	1,443	-
General Expenses	-	160
Childrens Cancer Charity	-	355
Training	590	168
Building Maintenance	4,663	284
Insurance	1,010	955
Bank fees	311	19
Professional fees	1,019	960
	75,646	78,753

#### **Note 3**

##### **Taxation**

Eglinton Community Pre-School Centre is registered for tax purposes under Revenue reference XN45126 and accordingly is exempt from taxation.

#### **Note 4**

##### **Trustees remuneration and expenses**

No trustee received any remuneration or reimbursement of expenses during the year.

#### **Note 5**

##### **Transactions with trustees and connected persons**

No trustee or connected person were paid for services during the year.