

# St. Mary's on the Hill Preschool Playgroup

Northern Ireland · Charity number 107220

## Details

Status	Received
Registered	2019-03-21
Register	<a href="#">View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register</a>

## Contact

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## Activities

**Purposes:** St. Mary's on The Hill Preschool Playgroup is established to promote play based learning environments for all children under statutory school age of the Newtownabbey and Belfast area and its surrounding environs in County Antrim without distinction of age, gender, martial status, disability, sexual orientation, nationality, ethnic identity, political or religious opinion, by associating the statutory authorities, community and voluntary organisations and the inhabitants in a common effect 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 the Statutory Preschool Curriculum(Department of Education) and minimum Standards for sessional playgroups as detailed by the Department of Health and Social Services.

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

**How the charity works:** Playgroup/after schools

**Who the charity helps:** Preschool (0-5 year olds)

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-07-05	£42,333	£47,877	£0	3

## Trustees

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Name	Role	Appointed
Miss Eibhlín Stewart		
Mr. Gerard Mccabe		
Mrs Frances Kane		
Mrs Mary Delaney		

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# Accounts

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St. Mary's on the Hill Preschool playgroup 8<sup>th</sup> July 2024 – 7<sup>th</sup> July 2025

OPENING BALANCE £28270.27

**CREDITS**

Registration Fees £280.00  
Education Authority (funded) £31184.20  
SEN EA £3914.78  
Pre Pre Fees £3630.00  
Overpayment returned £70.28  
GRtL £500.00  
Fundraising £754.22  
Outdoor Learning Resource Funding £2000.00  
  
Total Income £42333.48

**DEBITS**

Staff Salaries £30118.95  
Staff Training £38.40  
Early Years Membership £1369.99  
Early Years Salary Service £480.69  
Aardvark £50.00  
Spa4school £1750.19  
Rent/electric/gas £4073.94  
  
HMRC £3432.64  
H&S Assessment £250.00  
McKinney gas & oil £264.00  
Activities for children £60.00  
  
Milk £536.25

H&S Training	£24.00
Furniture/equipment/resources	£1685.06
Lockton Insurance	£593.19
Various sundries	£341.96
BT and internet services	£408.39
B4B group (Phone service)	£978.26
Evidence me/software/2simple	£90.00
Bank fees	£47.09
Staff pensions	£1284..99
Total Debits	£47877.99
Balance plus opening balance	£28270.27

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St. Mary's on the Hill Preschool playgroup 8<sup>th</sup> July 2023 – 7<sup>th</sup> July 2024

OPENING BALANCE £31644.83

**CREDITS**

Registration Fees £60.00  
Education Authority (funded) £30570.00  
Pre Pre Fees £1554  
Overpayment returned £43.64  
Lunch Club £672.00  
Fundraising £1364.30  
Transfer from old account £6689.49  
Total Income £40953.43

**DEBITS**

Staff Salaries £30391.31  
Staff Training £13.95  
Early Years Membership £1500.00  
Early Years Salary Service £1231.54  
Play Resource Membership £90.00  
Rent/electric/gas £3775.42  
  
HMRC £2148.82  
H&S assessment £250.00  
McKinney gas & oil £300.00  
Activities for children £120.00  
  
Milk £500.50  
Clements towels £0.00  
Lockton Insurance £519.68  
Various sundries £1362.43  
BT and internet services £677.81

B4B group (Phone service)	£60.00
Evidence me/software	£480.00
Bank fees	£47.58
Staff pensions	£858..95
Total Debits	£44327.99
Balance plus opening balance	£28270.27

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# Annual report

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ST. MARY'S ON THE HILL PRE-SCHOOL PLAYGROUP  
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT  
YEAR END 7 JULY 2024

The charity is known as St. Mary's on the Hill Pre-school Playgroup.

#### Committee Members

The members of the committee have held office during the year.

CHAIRPERSON: Gerald McCabe

TEASURER: Frances Kane

SECRETARY: Eibhlin Stewart

ORDINARY MEMBER: Mary Delaney

The committee of St. Mary's on the Hill Pre-school Playgroup are pleased to present their Annual Report for the year ended 7<sup>th</sup> July 2024.

#### What our organisation does

St. Mary's on the Hill Pre-school Playgroup provides a high standard of care and Early Years Education in a friendly, safe and stimulating environment, where children are happy, healthy and can express themselves confidently.

#### Our values and vision

Our philosophy is that each child is unique and special. We aim to foster individual talents by ensuring they;

- Feel valued
- Learn through play in a safe, stimulating environment
- Enjoy the company of other children
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- Children are forming friendships with peers and adults increasing their social interactions
- Take part in a group which value everyone, whatever their age, race, gender, cultural background or special needs
- Develop his/her own character with the encouragement and support of adults
- Grow in self-confidence encouraging the ability to choose from a range of activities in a caring environment
- Develop independence of their own by managing apart from parents/carers
- Have access to a range of learning opportunities which encourage their development through planned activities appropriate to the core areas identified in the Northern Ireland pre-school curriculum

## Who benefits from our service

Children and their families who attend St. Mary's on the Hill Pre-school Playgroup. Benefits are identified by parental feedback, staff observations and progression reports, focus visits from Early Years Specialist, HSCT annual report and inspections from The Department of Education of Northern Ireland.

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# Annual return

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## Independent Examiner's report of St. Mary's On the Hill Playgroup

I report on the accounts of the trust for the year ended 7<sup>th</sup> July 2024

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for the year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is requested.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act.
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention

Basis of independent examiner's report:

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 explanations 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 no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the next statement.

Independent examiner's statement:

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 130 of the 2011 Act and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met.

Signed .....C. O' REILLY.....

Date.....11/02/25.....

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OPENING BALANCE £39519.43

**CREDITS**

Registration Fees	£668.00
Education Authority (funded)	£29451.18
Education Authority (SEN)	£5938.38
Engage III Funding	£4160.00
Pre Pre Fees	£6516.00
Lunch Club	£866.00
Fundraising	£1394.50
BSO (milk refund)	£1854.92
Total Income	£50848.98

**DEBITS**

Staff Salaries	£39366.84
Staff Training	£240.00
Early Years Membership	£1725.92
Play Resource Membership	£90.00
Rent/electric/gas	£4254.07
HMRC	£647.33
Activities for children	£1617.80
Milk	£721.95
Clements towels	£289.66
Lockton Insurance	£472.00
Various sundries	£576.01
BT and internet servics	£1079.34
Evidence me/software	£480.00
Bank fees	£130.70
Staff pensions	£792.66

Total Debits	£52484.28
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Balance plus opening balance	£37884.13
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Date.....31/10/23.....