

Trustees report for the period ended 31 August 2022

The Trustees of Chipping Warden Kindergarten present their annual report and accounts for the period ended 31 August 2022 and confirm they comply with the requirements of the Charities Act 2022, the trust deed and the Charities SORP.

Structure, governance and management

The overall management and control of the Kindergarten shall vest in the individual members of its management committee who are the charity trustees of the Kindergarten.

The committee members shall be elected for a term of one year at the Annual General Meeting. Committee members are eligible for re-election unless they have already served on the Committee in any capacity for six consecutive years. Prospective new elected members of the Committee shall be those candidates from amongst those having notified their willingness to stand who receive the highest number of votes from the Members up to a maximum of 12.

Objectives and activities

The objects of the kindergarten are to enhance the development and education of children primarily under statutory school age by encouraging parents to understand and provide for the needs of their children through community groups and by:

1. Offering appropriate play, education and care facilities, family learning and extended hours groups, together with the right of parents to take responsibility for and to become involved in the activities of such groups, ensuring that such groups offer opportunities for all children whatever their race, culture, religion, means or ability,
2. Encouraging the study of the needs of such children and their families and promoting public interest in and recognition of such needs in the local areas,
3. Instigating and adhering to and furthering the aims and objects of the Pre-school Learning Alliance,
4. Chipping Warden Kindergarten operates from the grounds of Chipping Warden Primary School in Northamptonshire. The kindergarten serves children from the local community and surrounding villages.

Transition for the kindergarten children to school is smooth, due to the fact that school staff and kindergarten staff are able to liaise with one another easily. The kindergarten and reception children meet regularly and participate in activities together. Having kindergarten children on site adds an extra dimension to the school.

The trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Achievements and performance

Kindergarten has had successful year. We have become a forest school, which is a magnificent offer to our children/families.

We've had many moments of celebration, including three ladies who qualified as level 3 practitioners and two staff who have Qualified in forest school training Level 3. Two have also qualified in the phonics scheme 'Read, Write, Inc' for nursery age. It's quite a rare achievement to have all staff (including bank staff), qualified in level 3 and above. We feel very honoured to be in this position. All staff have committed to CPD in safeguarding children and paediatric first aid and are all up to date.

We have contributed financially to and watched the building of our new Kindy/School play park (for CWPA and Kindergarten pupils), and in the Summer of 2022, we had a revamp of furniture indoors.

We have more plans for the future, to replace some existing gates and fences and to extend forest school, and creating more outdoor space for the Kindergarten and adjoined school children to enjoy.

Our Facebook pages, which includes our Kindy donation shop, are used continuously to fund raise, and our activities and news go on our main Kindergarten page.

Kindy's new academic year 2022/2023, has started on a very positive note, with a new parent/child stay and play session on the first day. We gave a warm welcome to all our new children and their families. We are so proud of how well everyone settled. We have a very strong number of 39 children booked, as we started our school year.

Our outlook for the year 2022/23 is very positive, with the early prospect of being at maximum capacity very quickly.

Financial review

The charity is a non profit making organisation. Any excess income over expenditure arising in one period will be used to support times when numbers of children attending are lower or are used for capital expenditure.

The main source of the charities funds comes from the LEAs funding re Early Years Learning. Parent's fees for the younger children and fundraising make up a significant amount of the rest of the resources. The kindergarten maintains a high staff to child ratio and supports staff in their training.

This was a very successful year showing a strong recovery following the pandemic.

Fee income increased by 30% over the year with the majority of the increase being for non funded places. Staffing expenditure increased by 26% reflecting the increase in numbers of children as well as a 6.6% payrise being implemented in April. There are now 13 people employed at the kindergarten providing significant employment within a rural village. Overall running costs, including fixed overheads, increased by 19%.

Due to the success of the year the nursery invested in new equipment. They invested a total of £9,000 in outdoor play equipment, lpads, a computer and new furniture.

Expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity.

The kindergarten continues to go from strength to strength providing a quality setting with experienced staff.



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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	01-Sep-21	To	31-Aug-22
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Funding income	68,245	-	-	68,245	63,831
Parental fees	53,675	-	-	53,675	29,411
Grants	19	-	-	19	1,046
Fundraising	3,778	-	-	3,778	4,848
Donations and recharges	-	-	-	-	1,226
Interest	8	-	-	8	2
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	125,725	-	-	125,725	100,364
A2 Asset and investment sales					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	125,725	-	-	125,725	100,364
A3 Payments					
Wages	98,708	-	-	98,708	79,467
Employers national insurance	254	-	-	254	-
Employers Pension contributions	1,520	-	-	1,520	901
Staff training	228	-	-	228	2,406
Telephone	283	-	-	283	341
Property costs	450	-	-	450	907
Utilities	2,361	-	-	2,361	1,846
Educational supplies	2,301	-	-	2,301	2,245
Uniform	-	-	-	-	133
Food purchases	288	-	-	288	375
Office expenses	364	-	-	364	23
Computer software and maintenance	213	-	-	213	462
Cleaning and consumables	1,603	-	-	1,603	1,044
Fundraising costs	-	-	-	-	20
Donations, gifts, staff entertainment	1,247	-	-	1,247	968
Advertising	1,162	-	-	1,162	1,099
Insurance	434	-	-	434	426
Licences, memberships, DBS	384	-	-	384	502
Professional and legal fees	1,863	-	-	1,863	2,172
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	113,664	-	-	113,664	95,335
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Purchase of fixed assets	9,282	-	-	9,282	350
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	9,282	-	-	9,282	350
Total payments	122,946	-	-	122,946	95,685
Net of receipts/(payments)	2,779	-	-	2,779	4,679
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	64,408	-	-	64,408	59,729
Cash funds this year end	67,187	-	-	67,187	64,408

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Current account	22,005	-	-
	Premium account	45,003	-	-
	Petty cash	179	-	-
	Total cash funds	67,187	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Debtors due	439	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	IPADS - 2017	Unrestricted	857	-
	Computer - 2019	Unrestricted	498	-
	Shed - 2019	Unrestricted	1,893	-
	Artificial Grass - 2019	Unrestricted	2,446	-
	Furniture - 2019	Unrestricted	460	-
	Carpets - 2020	Unrestricted	380	-
	Water heater - 2020	Unrestricted	2,319	-
	Shed - 2021	Unrestricted	350	-
	IPADS - 2022	Unrestricted	1,019	-
	Play Equipment - 2022	Unrestricted	5,000	-
	Furniture - 2022	Unrestricted	2,349	-
	Vacuum - 2022	Unrestricted	234	-
	Laptop - 2022	Unrestricted	680	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount Due	Date Due
B5 Liabilities	Pension payments due	Unrestricted	365	05 September 2022
	Utilities due	Unrestricted	787	26 September 2022
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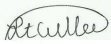
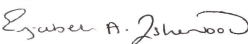
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Signature

Print Name

Date of approval

Lucy Cullen
Elizabeth Isherwood

08 November 2022
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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Chipping Warden Kindergarten

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 August 2022, which are set out on pages 1 - 2.

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 this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

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 Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- 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 statement below.

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 Charities Act, have not been met.



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