

Chairs Report for AGM 9th Oct 2024

Since our last AGM we have had yet again, another successful year of fundraising. We started off the academic year with our stall at Sandy Lights, which despite the torrential rain, we managed to sell out by 3pm, with one teenage boy managing to complete all his Christmas gift buying from the stall! We were very lucky again this year to be allowed to run the Tea Rooms at Ickwell May Day. It is a huge task in organising the event and we wouldn't have been able to do it without all the volunteers who baked cakes, made sandwiches and served on the day, a big thank you to everyone involved. The weather wasn't on our side as it had been the two previous years but it was still a brilliant boost to the funds. We also had a very profitable summer raffle so thank you to all those who donated, sourced and collected raffle prizes. Special thanks to Kirstie who sent out emails to pretty much every business within a 30 mile radius with a very good success rate.

Fundraising is a massive part of the Committee's role and running events such as the ones just mentioned, enables us to raise funds which go directly back into the Pre-school and helps to provide new equipment, resources and experiences for the children. This year we have funded new equipment including the new play house, the leavers party, graduation and Safari Stu.

In June, Claire took over the Manager role from Charlotte. She stepped up at a very busy time of year with said leavers party and graduation as well as sports day on the horizon and took it all in her stride to ensure all events ran smoothly. We have also had our deputy manager Tiff join the team in September and recruited a second member of bank staff to ensure we are well covered for any staff illness etc. The committee and I would like to thank each and every one of the staff for pulling together during the busy summer term and for all you do day in, day out for the children in your care. As important as the fundraising side of things is, without you guys on the ground doing what you do, the preschool would not be the amazing place it is. With the changes in funding, we now have more two-year olds on

role than ever before, and numbers are overall higher than they have been in previous Septembers with several sessions nearing capacity.

I have now been on the Committee for 5 years, with both my girls coming through the preschool but it is now time for some lovely new members to step up and support the preschool on behalf of their children.

We also have a few other members stepping down including our Treasurer – Rachel and Secretary – Kirstie, as their children move onto school. Thank you all for your help with everything.

The preschool is a unique setting and has so much to offer that other settings simply can't. I hope that when the new committee form, they enjoy being part of this very special place as much as I have.

Thank you!


ICKWELL PRE SCHOOL

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Independent Examiners Report to the Trustees of
Ickwell Pre School

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Ickwell Pre School for the year ended 31st March 2024.

Respective Responsibilities of the Trustees and Examiner and basis of report.

As the charity trustees of Ickwell Pre School you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the accounts of Ickwell Pre School carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of Ickwell Pre School as required by section 130 of the Act;
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Ian Russell.

Date: 29th September 2024

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Income and expenditure account for the year ended 31st March 2024

	2024		2023	
	£	£	£	£
Income				
Fees		53,606		61,119
Admin Fees		425		225
Early Years Grant		97,679		96,409
SEND Grants		9,566		12,996
DAF Grants		3,411		2,581
EYPP Grants		1,824		1,078
Clothing Sales		129		166
		<u>166,640</u>		<u>174,574</u>
Expenditure				
Salaries		131,252		135,503
Rent		5,600		9,083
Materials eg craft		651		607
Milk - Costs	578		477	
Less - Grant	<u>514</u>		<u>538</u>	
		64		(61)
Refreshments and Cleaning Materials		2,231		1,239
Insurance and PLA Membership		1,950		1,887
Telephone		960		641
Photocopier		855		811
Admin (Stationery, Ink Cartridges, Admin Books)		484		332
Training Courses and Magazine Subscriptions		2,138		2,165
Advertising / DBS checks		423		592
Staff Clothing		574		732
Childrens celebrations		523		1,882
Childrens uniform		(4)		421
Sport activity Sessions		480		1,069
Forest School		66		115
Database		360		354
Payroll Licence		98		94
Sundry Expenses		733		96
Repairs & Maintenance		35		5
Accountancy		288		276
		<u>149,761</u>		<u>157,843</u>
Net surplus/(deficit)		16,879		16,731
Interest received		362		58
Donations Received		1,160		20,581
GENERAL ASSETS (purchase and maintenance)				
Books/Toys		2,483		673
DAF Equipment		1,323		2,163
EYPP Equipment		1,163		536
Fencing				14,106
Laptop				1698
Shedlet	203			
Planter	175			
Worm Farm	112			
Trolley, Trays and Mats	1340			
Shelves/Boxes	<u>567</u>			
		7,366		19,176
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FUNDRAISING - Net surplus		<u>3,994</u>		<u>4,709</u>
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