



# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

		Period start date			Period end date		
<b>From</b>	01	09	2023	<b>To</b>	31	08	2024

## Section A Reference and administration details

**Charity name** Little Drummers Pre-school

**Other names charity is known by**

**Registered charity number (if any)** 1020274

**Charity's principal address** Drummond Community Centre, Drummond Road,  
Hedge End  
Southampton  
**Postcode** SO30 2AD

### Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Sarah Henson	Chairperson until 12/10/2022	03/10/2017 – 09/11/2023	Pre-school members
2	Emma Brisley	Secretary until 12/10/2022 Chairperson from 12/10/2022	17/11/2021 – present	Pre-school members
3	Kathryn Garland		17/11/2021 – 09/11/2023	Pre-school members
4	Kimberley Calvert	Co-Chairperson until 09/11/2023	12/10/2022 – 09/11/2023	Pre-school members
5	Marie Miller	Treasurer until 09/11/2023	12/10/2022 – 09/11/2023	Pre-school members
6	Megan Forbes	Secretary from 17/04/2023	12/10/2022 – 21/11/2024	Pre-school members
7	Kirsty Simpson		12/10/2022 - present	Pre-school members
8	Gemma Gardner	Treasurer	09/11/2023 - present	Pre-school members
9	Adrian Vanderplank		09/11/2023 – 21/11/2024	Pre-school members
10	Charlotte Stokes		21/11/2024 - present	Pre-school members
11	Gagandeep Birak		21/11/2024 - present	Pre-school members

### Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Independent Examiner	Helene Swales	

**Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)**

Kirsty Simpson (Manager)

**Section B Structure, governance and management**

**Description of the charity's trusts**

Type of governing document  
(eg. trust deed, constitution)

Early Years Alliance Model Pre-school Constitution 2011

How the charity is constituted  
(eg. trust, association, company)

Trust

Trustee selection methods  
(eg. appointed by, elected by)

Elected from Membership

**Additional governance issues (Optional information)**

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

**Section C Objectives and activities**

**Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document**

Little Drummers is a pre-school based in Hedge End which offers care for children aged two years to school age. Our aim is to provide good quality childcare for children in our local community as we believe we are the foundation of children's future learning. This is managed through our continuous provision and is underpinned by staff knowledge of child development through the guidance of the Early Years Foundation Stage framework.  
Little Drummers undertakes various fundraising activities throughout the year to further develop the pre-school.

Little Drummers trustees have regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit by offering sessional term time care for children aged two years to school age within our local community.

**Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)**

**Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)**

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

**Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year**

Little Drummers provides term time pre-school sessions for children aged two years to school age. This year we provided care and support for 47 children and their families.

We held several fundraising events during the year. We had a stall at the Hedge End village Christmas light switch on market and enjoyed participating in a local community event. We also held our own Christmas and Summer fayres and an Easter bonnet parade in the spring term which were all well supported by our families. We held a fundraising art show of the children's work in the summer term where parents were able to purchase their child's flower painting. All the proceeds were invested into pre-school resources; purchases this year included small world toys, a new play kitchen, and an instant camera with printer. The children all enjoyed Christmas and summer parties with food, games and crafts. Staff, children and their families enjoyed a day out at our local park in June where we went on a bear hunt and held our annual sports day event.

## Section E

## Financial review

### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

It is the charity's policy to hold reserves at a level to cover one term's running costs. The trustees consider that reserves at this level will ensure that in the event of a significant drop in funding they will be able to continue to run the pre-school while considering what further action to take.

Reserves currently stand at £14,432

### Details of any funds materially in deficit

### Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Little Drummers received funding from Hampshire County Council, fees from parents and monies raised from fundraising events held throughout the year.

## Section F

## Other optional information

## Section G

## Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

Emmabridley

C. Stokes

Full name(s)

Emma Bridley

Charlotte Stokes

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair

Committee Member

Date

19/06/2025

# Little Drummers Pre-School

Accounts Summary - 2023 / 2024

Receipts		No 1 a/c	No 2 a/c	PAYE a/c	Savings a/c	Less Transfers	Totals	Rounded £
A1a	Donations	0.00	0.00				0.00	0
	Fundraising	4.00	1,278.14				1,282.14	1,282
A1b	Operating activities to further charity's objects:							
	Fees from parents and carers	31,412.03	190.25			190.25	31,412.03	31,412
	Nursery Education Funding	106,755.24					106,755.24	106,755
	Restricted Funds - Food vouchers	575.00					575.00	575
	Vouchers	0.00					0.00	0
	Grants (Coronavirus SSP)	0.00					0.00	0
A1c	Investment income including bank interest				193.15		193.15	193
Sub-total (A1a + A1b + A1c)		138,746.27	1,468.39	0.00	193.15	190.25	140,217.56	140,217
A1d	Other receipts	678.08	1,565.13	89,045.00	6,720.00	95,765.00	2,243.21	2,243
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>A1</b>	<b>139,424.35</b>	<b>3,033.52</b>	<b>89,045.00</b>	<b>6,913.15</b>	<b>95,955.25</b>	<b>142,460.77</b>	<b>142,460</b>

Payments		No 1 a/c	No 2 a/c	PAYE a/c	Savings a/c	Less Transfers	Totals	Rounded £
A2a	Fundraising costs	0.00	119.76				119.76	120
A2b	Charitable payments:							
	Salaries	89,045.00		88,917.95	6,720.00	95,765.00	88,917.95	88,918
	Pensions	3,377.66					3,377.66	3,378
	Rent and rates	26,127.26					26,127.26	26,127
	Other premises costs	0.00					0.00	0
	Catering costs	301.93					301.93	302
	Consumables and equipment	2,927.94	1,746.33				4,674.27	4,674
	Office costs	482.53					482.53	483
	Governance inc meeting costs	0.00					0.00	0
Sub-total (A2a + A2b)		122,262.32	1,866.09	88,917.95	6,720.00	95,765.00	124,001.36	124,002
A2c	Other payments	5,671.41	1,851.14	102.00	0.00	190.25	7,434.30	7,434
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>A2</b>	<b>127,933.73</b>	<b>3,717.23</b>	<b>89,019.95</b>	<b>6,720.00</b>	<b>95,955.25</b>	<b>131,435.66</b>	<b>131,436</b>

Net of receipts / (payments)	A1 - A2	11,490.62	-683.71	25.05	193.15	0.00	11,025.11	11,025
Cash funds last year end	A3	1,021.00	1,574.21	79.21	14,239.47	0.00	16,913.89	16,914
Cash funds this year end	A1 - A2 + A3	12,511.62	890.50	104.26	14,432.62	0.00	27,939.00	27,939

Bank balances as at 31 August 2024		12,511.62	890.50	104.26	14,432.62		27,939.00	
Less unrepresented cheques							0.00	
							0.00	
<b>Totals</b>		<b>12,511.62</b>	<b>890.50</b>	<b>104.26</b>	<b>14,432.62</b>		<b>27,939.00</b>	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name  
Little Drummers Pre-school

On accounts for the year ended

31<sup>st</sup> August 2024

Charity no (if any)

1020274

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31/08/2024**

As the charity's trustees, 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 Trust's accounts 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 (other than that disclosed below \*) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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.

\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Helene Swales

Date:

19/6/2025

Name:

HELENE SWALES

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

ICAEW - ACA

Address: 48 BEATTIE RISE  
HEDGE END  
SOUTHAMPTON SO30 2RF.

**Section B** Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

[Empty box for disclosure details]