

AGM Three Bears Playgroup

17th November 2022

Chair Report

Thank you all for attending tonight's AGM meeting. It is great to see new parents and carers who are wanting to become a part of our committee here at Three Bears

We started the year still having some challenges due to Covid and illness within the setting. Luckily this has now started to ease as we have the Covid restrictions put in place by the government. This was welcomed as it meant that some of the wonderful activities that are planned for the children by the staff here at Three Bears that had had to be cancelled due to Covid were able to start up again such as the sports day in the summer and the end of term picnic on Millennium field.

From a staffing point of view, Carly joined the team in March and we also welcomed Melissa back from her maternity leave in May. Michelle as Playgroup Manager with the assistance of Jane and Kerri continue to make Three Bears a positive, safe and wonderful environment for the children here to be in.

Three Bears currently has a good number of children attending sessions. Many started in September and have settled in positively with their new keyworkers. We have new children starting in January with their funded hours. We are lucky that the setting continues to be in a good position in terms of numbers, particularly given the news of local settings in the area closing down.

This year we have continued to see a number of essential maintenance taking place at Three Bears. The hedges were cut back, several tree branches were lopped and indoor repairs took place to the doors, noticeboards and fretwork. A new fingerguard was also installed on the fire door.

We are lucky to have a great and active committee here at Three Bears who are a very important part of the business. Current committee members are myself as chair, Carly Goodall who I would like to thank for all of her hard work in helping to organise the summer fair this year which was a big success, Samantha Cracknell who is our treasurer, Kelly Spurling, Kayleigh Woodall, Jessica Calver and Kim Rogers as well as Michelle, Jane and Kerri are also on the committee as staff members. Together we would welcome any others who

would like to join our committee tonight and become involved in supporting Three Bears. Input, assistance and new ideas from parents for things such as fundraising are always welcomed to run the setting efficiently.

Our fundraising team has raised a fantastic amount of money for Three Bears. Events such as the bunny hop at Easter raised £623, the summer fair raised £590, the raffle that we held at Christmas raised £160 and My Child's Art raised £40. In a current climate where early years education is severely underfunded and as charity, Three Bears is completely reliant on fundraising to provide all of the wonderful extras that are offered to the children here and so it has been fantastic to be so well supported by the parents and families of Three Bears in our fundraising efforts. The money raised went towards 2 new balance bikes, a new easel, 6 yoga mats, giant dominoes and a bowling set, extra resources for the role play mechanics and builders area, dinosaur bones, new books, a stand and shelving for the tuff tray, green sand, resources to build the volcano area and fairy garden, etc. We also had a parent of Three Bears who put us forward as a recipient for money raised from the Ports authority annual charity golf day. We received £1000, which is being used to develop a quiet and cozy space within the playgroup to support the emotional development of the children.

I would like to finish off by the thanking the members for all that they have contributed to the committee over the past year, the parents and families of Three Bears who continue to support the setting and to all of the staff for their continued hard work and dedication every single day in ensuring that not only do our children have the best early years education possible but also make sure that they develop emotionally, learn new skills and how to form friendships and that they are fully prepared for their transition to primary school each September.

Natalia Horsfield

Chair

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Balance Sheet as 31st August 2022

Bank Current Account	£25,812.37
Bank Reserve Account	£40,015.18
Cash Box	£170.12
Cash Card	£155.38
Net Current Assets	<u>£66,153.05</u>
Deferred Income	<u>£ 22,685.10</u>
Net Current Liabilities	<u>£-</u>
Net Assets	<u><u>£43,467.95</u></u>
Brought Forward 1st September 2021	£43,677.03
Profit for the year	-£209.08
Total Funds	<u><u>£43,467.95</u></u>

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FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

I hereby certify the attached Accounts for the year ended 31 August 2022

I have made such verifications as were necessary for the proper certification of these Accounts.


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