



## **Trustees' Annual Report for the period**

**From 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022**

**To 31st August 2023**

**Charity name: Little Dragons Preschool**

**Charity registration number: 1034043**

### **Objectives and Activities**

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	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.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	Offer appropriate play, education and care facilities, together with the right of parents to take responsibility for and to become involved in the activities, ensuring that our pre-school offers opportunities for all parents and children whatever their race, culture, religion or means of ability. Encourage the study of the needs of children and their families and promote public interest in and recognition of such needs in local areas.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	<p>The trustees meet monthly with the staff to ensure that the Pre-School continues to maintain a high quality of education and care for the benefit of the children in attendance.</p> <p>Trustees monitor the finances on a regular basis and ensure that all funds raised are used to benefit the children at the pre-school by improving resources.</p> <p>When making decisions about the level of fees to charge parents for childcare at the pre-school, the Trustees benchmark the fees with other local pre-schools. This ensures that the fees are affordable for as wide a range of parents as possible.</p> <p>In pursuing the purposes above, the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit and consider these to be of benefit to all families in the local community and surrounding area.</p>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

### Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>During the FY 2022 - 2023 we prepared for an imminent Ofsted inspection with a view to maintaining our 'outstanding' status. In June 2023 we were inspected and again rated "Outstanding". We thus continued to provide a high level of childcare and preschool education to families in Ogbourne St. George and the surrounding villages and towns.</p> <p>Our financial position continued to be weakened by falling numbers, and as a result the staff was reduced to the three experienced long serving members of staff who continued to provide an excellent level of care, compassion and integrity.</p> <p>We also had a significant change in the management Committee with the Chair resigning. A new Chair was appointed which injected a renewed attitude with a positive and enthusiastic approach from the Committee and staff alike. (This has resulted in a considerably improved situation which will be reported on next year).</p> <p>We provided support to families going through significant challenges including</p>

		<p>financial and those with children with extra needs.</p> <p>We successfully raised funds for continuous supply and improvement of resources through fundraising events such as autumn and easter parties, village jumble sale, village fete, and sponsored walks.</p> <p>We worked closely with the Village Hall Committee as their major user and tenant. We also have a close relationship with Ogbourne CofE Primary School and staff liaised with the school teachers to ensure a smooth transition for children from pre-school to school.</p>
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**Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<p>Little Dragons Pre School had an income of £71,893 and an expenditure of £76,384 giving a deficit of £4,491 this financial year.</p> <p>At the end of August 2023 we had £3,942 in our cash account. Taking into consideration the additional money in the savings account, the expected income and expenditure for September to December 2023 and changes in staffing, the committee considers that we are in a stable condition for the next financial year.</p>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	We have a savings account to ensure that we are able to meet salary costs and other commitments for two months in the event of unexpected circumstances. We also have a separate account to cover redundancy costs.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	Savings : £10,896 Redundancy: £16,061
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	n/a
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	n/a
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	n/a

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Unincorporated Association
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Elected by Committee

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

### Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Little Dragons Preschool
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1034043
Charity's principal address	High Street Ogbourne St George Marlborough SN8 1SP

**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	Fay Abu-Ebid	Chair	January 2020 - January 2023	
2	Jan Newbould	Chair	January – May 2023	
3	Robert Tanner	Chair	May 2023 to date	
4	Caroline Iliffe	Treasurer		
5	Charlotte Perryman	Secretary	January 2022 - May 2023	
6	Claire Cates	Secretary	May 2023 to date	
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**Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved**

Director name		

**Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity**

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

### Additional information (optional)

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

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Accountant	Trevor Hunt	Trevor Hunt Accountancy, Leigh, Cricklade, Wiltshire, SN6 6RG

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

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### Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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### Other optional information

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## Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	<i>C. Iliffe</i>	<i>Robert B Tanner</i>
Full name(s)	Caroline Iliffe	Robert B Tanner
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Treasurer	Chair

Date 03.09.24

**LITTLE DRAGONS PRE SCHOOL**

OGBOURNES PLAYGROUP

CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER 1034043

**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST AUGUST 2023**

<b>INCOME</b>	£	£
Grants , vouchers and fees		67785
Fundraising and other income		4108
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**EXPENDITURE**

Wages	64937	
Consumables and equipment	2319	
Rent , office costs and premises improvements	5109	
Sundry expenses	4019	
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<b>DEFICIT FOR THE YEAR</b>		<hr/>
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**BANK SUMMARY**

Bank CAF Cash Account		3942
Bank CAF Gold Provision Account		25864
Bank CAF Gold Account		1093
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ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

I have prepared , without audit , the attached accounts , and confirm these are in accordance with the books , records , information and explanations provided to me .



Trevor Hunt - Accountant  
On behalf of Trevor Hunt Accountancy Limited  
48 Malmesbury Road  
Leigh  
Cricklade  
Wiltshire  
SN6 6RG

Date : 20/8/2024