

1) Chairpersons report 2024/2025

It has been my great pleasure to be chairperson of Amber Pre-School and manager for many years. It has been an interesting year with a lot going on for both the committee and the staff.

We have 12 leavers and 20 children which is good and some children have been put on a waiting list.

The staff have all worked hard to ensure that parents and the children receive professional and high quality care. We are very fortunate at Amber to have a good staff team, who all do a magnificent job.

Our Ofsted Inspection in March was "Good" which we were really pleased with.

We are delighted to have our Fundraising event at Sports Day where we raised a staggering £400.

We have used the fundraising money for the children to go to Washbrooks Farm in June.

Financially, as will be shown in the financial report, the year has been much better than last year although it is down to some fundraising. Thank you committee members for all of your hard work and efforts throughout the year and for continuing to stay on the committee as we had no new parents attend today which is very disappointing. I hope things will be different next year as I would hate Amber to close.

We have a good and positive liaison with the Scouts regarding the premises for our future fundraising events.

Our website page is being look at and we have had quite a lot of enquiries. Word and mouth recommendations too have improved we have good numbers for September, fingers crossed gaining more interest!

Those who attend Amber are very positive about the service/ care and we have when we sent out a parent survey..

I have enjoyed my time as Chair for Amber; I hope you will let me stand again as Chair to ensure I can continue to make it a success. The most important thing is you as parents who know about Amber and are happy for us to look after your children. If it wasn't for you Amber would not be here, so I thank you for your trust and support.

And Last but not least, I thank all, previous and current committee members, staff, for all your support and trust over the past 18 and a half years while I have been involved with Amber, for new parents to realise that Amber as a charity committee led pre-school needs you as it cannot run without the

support from parents in taking on the extremely important, vital roles of the committee members

I wish everyone well in their future ventures whether they be at Amber or pastures new.

Thank you

Amber Preschool Accounts**Current and Fundraising Acc.**

Date- May 2024

From: Month April 9th 2023

To: Month March 8th 2024

<u>Income</u>	<u>Period</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Fees from Parents inc. F.School		£13,886.26
Fees from WSCC		£62,846.46
Vouchers		£5,513.44
TOTAL INCOME:		£82,246.16
Fundraising Account Balance		£945.74
<u>Expenditure</u>		
Wages (inc. Forest school)		£49,259.88
Rent		£8,618.57
HMRC		£4,414.87
Phone/website		£421.99
Ofsted		£50.00
Dads Day		
Training/Courses/DBS		£156.60
Gifts/Thank you's		£780.00
Supplies and refreshments		£133.88
Charges		£110.38
Computing/ink/Stamps		£151
WS county Fund		£189.00
Fundraising Xmas		£0.00
Amazon		£1,325.20
Advertising/Lanyard cards/Uniform		£0.00
Tapestry		£150.00
Early Years Alliance		£754.18
Refunding fees		£132.24
Milk		£9.05
Extras/Misc		£11.50
Christmas Meal		£89.70
		66,758.04
<u>Money in</u>		
Amazon Refunds		£191.53
Website Refund		£52.80
Cash		£945.00
<u>Total in:</u>		£1,189.33
<u>Amber Acc. Balance</u>		£70,160.83
<u>Fundraising Acc. Balance</u>		£304.84

Community Savings Acc Balance

For:

Redundancy

£13,000

Astro Turf/ Maintenance

£10,000

(To be reviewed next year)