CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Whitsers Pre School Playgroup	1165455

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 1-Aug-25	To	Period end date 31-Jul-26

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Fees	18,776.15	-	-	18,776.15	18,257.01
Government funding	92,894.71	-	-	92,894.71	60,668.83
Donations	6,236.00	-	-	6,236.00	512.60
Fundraising	2,555.21	-	-	2,555.21	1,734.76
Milk reimbursement	319.00	-	-	319.00	311.00
Parent reimbursement	1,104.00	-	-	1,104.00	626.25
Uniform	96.20			96.20	24.00
Registration fees	260.00			260.00	510.00
Refunds - in	266.54	-	-	266.54	-
Other (including bank interest)	233.32	-	-	233.32	249.24
***Sub total**(Gross income for AR)*	122,741.13	-	-	122,741.13	82,893.69
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	122,741.13	-	-	122,741.13	82,894
A3 Payments					
Salaries	75,752.35	-	-	75,752.35	66,698.92
HMRC	8,124.43	-	-	8,124.43	2,836.26
Pension	1,741.27	-	-	1,741.27	1,397.63
Rent	3,579.00	-	-	3,579.00	3,579.00
Insurance	1,459.78	-	-	1,459.78	909.79
EYFS membership	228.00	-	-	228.00	330.00
Mobile	105.47	-	-	105.47	99.62
Printer Ink	-	-	-	-	146.88
Milk (Plumbs)	329.67			329.67	240.30
Consumables (ESPO, TTS)	1,882.35			1,882.35	2,937.48
Resources	1,486.10			1,486.10	2,188.10
Snack	545.99			545.99	450.60
Training courses	258.00			258.00	771.00
DBS/Ofsted	82.07			82.07	252.44
Subcriptions	451.55			451.55	400.31
Advertising	16.00			16.00	32.00
Post office	70.00			70.00	220.00
Refunds - out	534.55			534.55	-
Activities (outings/party etc)	1,009.50			1,009.50	745.61
Professional (auditor/GDPR)	1,381.00			1,381.00	119.00
Gifts	401.66			401.66	150.00
Gardening	-			-	325.00
Uniform expend	646.06			646.06	-
Fundraising expenses	312.34			312.34	-
EYPP spending	3,552.28	-	-	3,552.28	-
Sub total	103,949.42	-	-	103,949.42	84,829.94
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	103,949.42	-	-	103,949.42	84,829.94
Net of receipts/(payments)	18,791.71	-	-	18,791.71	- 1,936.25
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	59,416.80	-	-	59,416.80	-
Cash funds this year end	78,208.51	-	-	78,208.51	- 1,936.25

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Current account	16,113.24	-	-
	Reserves account	62,095.27	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	78,208.51	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1st August 2025 **Period start date**
To 31st July 2026 **Period end date**

Charity name: Whitsers Pre-School Playgroup

Charity registration number: 1165455

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The playgroup aims to enhance the development and education of children under statutory school age. This is achieved by offering appropriate play and learning facilities while ensuring equal opportunities for all children, promoting the playgroup within the local community and adhering to the Pre-School Learning Alliance Code of practice.
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	Whitsers Pre-School Playgroup provides public benefit by: Offering playgroup sessions for local children aged 2.5 – 4 years. Sessions are offered 5 mornings and 3 afternoons per week in term time. Providing a caring, stimulating and fun environment for play, creative and learning activities in accordance with the Early Years curriculum. Organising occasional outings locally, and playgroup events. Providing each family with a Key Worker, responsible for ensuring the child's welfare and recording their development. Working closely with local schools to ensure a smooth transition. The Playgroup is OFSTED registered and employs five members of staff (part time). It is led by a playgroup leader, and two deputy playgroup leaders.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have	Para 1.18	The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the

had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit		Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the charity's aim and objectives and in planning future activities.

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	The playgroup relies on volunteers to fulfil roles on the committee and organise fundraising, which is often key to the playgroup's financial survival.
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	This year the staff and committee have risen to the challenge of rising costs again this year. Admissions: September 2025 opened with 25 children on the register, 2 of those were under 2. Year ended with 30 children attending, with 2 under 3. Children: This year at Whitsers has been another exciting one, the children have enjoyed a wide range of activities and experiences designed to encourage creativity, curiosity, learning and exploration. We have celebrated seasonal events and cultural traditions, taken part in community activities, welcomed visitors, and enjoyed plenty of opportunities for outdoor play. Each term has brought new experiences and opportunities for the children to learn and have fun together. **Autumn Term** The Autumn Term was filled with seasonal

		activities and opportunities to explore the changes happening in the natural world. The children enjoyed **leaf printing**, making **hibernating mice** and creating **finger puppets**. Halloween was a particular highlight, with the children enjoying our **haunted house**, pumpkin carving and creating pumpkin pictures. We also made delicious **pumpkin soup**, as well as autumn-themed hats and leaf crafts. As part of our links with the local community, we visited the **village church** to see Rev Olivia Cole for the Harvest celebration. The children also enjoyed learning about the **Winter Olympics**. They had the opportunity to try on snowboard boots, watch events on the big screen and take part in lots of ice-themed play activities. We began preparing for **Mother's Day** by planting bulbs, which the children were later able to nurture and enjoy. Our **All About Me** activities encouraged the children to think about themselves and their individual identities. They particularly enjoyed creating self-portraits. We marked **Remembrance Day** by visiting the village war memorial and laying the Whitsers wreath. The children behaved with great respect as we talked together about the importance of remembering and honouring others. Christmas brought sparkle and joy to Whitsers, with plenty of festive activities and, of course, lots of glitter! The children put on a truly wonderful **Nativity play**, which was particularly special this year, with a record number of families joining us to watch and celebrate together. **Spring Term** We welcomed the New Year by celebrating the **Lunar New Year**. The children enjoyed making a vibrant dragon's head for our dragon dancing and helped to prepare vegetables for a stir-fry snack. This provided a wonderful opportunity to explore new tastes, foods and traditions. **Valentine's Day** brought lots of colour and creativity to Whitsers. The children enjoyed making Valentine's cards, creating themed crafts and baking biscuits. For **Mother's Day**, the children were able to revisit the bulbs they had planted earlier

		in the year. They decorated their pots and enjoyed seeing their plants grow, creating a special gift to take home. The **Easter egg hunt** was a huge success and was made even more special thanks to the very generous donation of Nana Norfolk . The children also enjoyed decorating Easter baskets and making chocolate nests. **Summer Term** The Summer Term brought some particularly warm weather, which meant that **water play in the garden** became a firm favourite. The children enjoyed lots of outdoor play and opportunities to cool down while having fun with their friends. We explored **superhero-themed activities** and enjoyed reading *Superworm*, which inspired a range of imaginative and creative activities. Our **Under the Sea** topic was another highlight of the term. The children created a display of undersea creatures and explored a variety of creative activities, including shell printing, making jellyfish, handprint sharks and undersea collages. We were also fortunate to welcome a number of visitors to Whitsers, including a **nurse, police officer and dentist**. These visits gave the children the opportunity to learn about different roles within our community and to ask questions and find out more about the work that these professionals do. We also celebrated the **World Cup**. The children made their own flags, which we proudly displayed, took part in a football tournament in the garden, and enjoyed watching highlights of the games on the television. Overall, this year we raised £1,906.38

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	Total Reserves stand at £44,388.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Reserves currently equate to approximately 48.69% of the charity's annual expenditure.
Number of reserves held	Para 1.22	As above.
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	

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 of the Pre-School Learning Alliance.
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Charitable Incorporated Organisation (ClO).
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	Trustees are elected annually at the Annual General Meeting.

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	Whitsers Pre-School Playgroup
Other name the charity uses	Whitsers
Registered charity number	1165455
Charity's principal address	Memorial Hall Mill Lane Whittlesford Cambridgeshire CB22 4NE

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)**
Anna Genevier	Chair		
Emma Foster	Secretary		
Kieran Priest	Treasurer		
Diane Thorburn	HR		
Kate Thorburn	Ofsted		

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 these 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

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

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

Other optional information
Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustee

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Catharine Thorburn	Beverley Arnold
Position (eg Secretary, Chair etc)	Ofsted Trustee/Playleader	Administrator

Date:

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Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of	Charity Name Whitsers Pre-School Playgroup		
On accounts for the year ended	31st July 2026	**Charity no (if any)**	1165455
Set out on pages	1 and 2 (remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)		

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Act and that an independent examination is needed

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention 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.

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Signed:		**Date:**	5th November 2026
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