

St Mary's Under 5's

George Lane, Marlborough, Wiltshire, SN8 4BX
Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

Introduction

St Mary's Under 5's is a community pre-school dedicated to providing high-quality early years care and education in a safe, nurturing, and stimulating environment. Our aim is to support children in developing confidence, independence, and curiosity through play-based learning. We operate as a registered charity and rely on a combination of government funding, fees, and community fundraising.

Objectives and Activities

Our charitable objective is to advance the education of children under statutory school age. We do this through:

- Delivering high-quality early years provision aligned with the EYFS framework
- Providing learning opportunities that nurture emotional, social, and physical development
- Maintaining a safe, inclusive, and engaging learning environment
- Working in partnership with parents, carers, and the wider community

Achievements and Performance

It has been another busy and successful year for the pre-school. Highlights include our Easter raffle, joint summer fair with St Mary's School, bake sale, and summer ice-lolly fundraising activities. Children continue to grow in confidence and independence every day, and the staff team have done a fantastic job creating a fun, safe, and welcoming place for all.

We also benefited from the Tesco Blue Coin Scheme, which contributed to essential improvements in the garden, enhancing outdoor learning for the children. Every contribution, whether time, money, or ideas, makes a real difference to the running of the pre-school.

Looking ahead, our aims are to keep the setting financially strong, continue providing the best possible care and education, and increase parent involvement on the committee.

Financial Review

For the year ended 31 March 2025, St Mary's Under 5's reported:

- **Total income:** £129,522
- **Total expenditure:** £107,831.30
- **Surplus for the year:** £21,690.70

Income was primarily from council funding, fees, grants/donations, and fundraising. Expenditure consisted mainly of wages, PAYE/NIC, rent, and operational costs.

The year-end bank and cash balances totalled **£117,946**, up from £96,255 in 2024, strengthening the charity's financial position and ensuring continued sustainability.

Public Benefit Statement

The trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty to have regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. St Mary's Under 5's provides an essential early-years service to local families at accessible rates, contributing to children's development and supporting the wider community.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees

Chairperson:  Date: 27/01/2026

Treasurer:  Date: 27/01/2026

Secretary:  Date: 27/01/2026

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ANNUAL ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
<u>RECEIPTS</u>		
Council funding	121,314	107,395
Fees	5,287	10,599
Grants and donations	1,840	1,000
Fundraising	358	1,551
Bank interest	223	589
Sundry income/deposits	500	1,600
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TOTAL INCOME	129,522	122,734
<u>PAYMENTS</u>		
Wages	80,874	97,099
PAYE and NIC	7,309	11,480
Rent	6,575	5,700
Pension	2,391	2,649
Toys and equipment	3,819	5,452
Fundraising		0
Snacks	407	531
Training	2,225	1,395
Stationery, postage and telephone	981	961
Insurance	797	765
Professional fees	1,381	4,098
IT Expenses	681	635
Bank charges	34	55
Building and maintenance work	285	667
Other expenses	72	1,776
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TOTAL PAYMENTS	107,831	133,263
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	<hr/> 21,691 <hr/>	<hr/> (10,529) <hr/>

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH 2025

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
Bank balances:		
Lloyds Bank	85,836	64,291
Petty cash	130	206
60 day Notice account	31,980	31,758
	<u>117,946</u>	<u>96,255</u>
Represented by:		
Capital brought forward	96,255	106,784
Surplus/(deficit) from income	21,691	(10,529)
	<u>117,946</u>	<u>96,255</u>

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF

ST MARY'S UNDER FIVES - Charity No. 900445

ANNUAL ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity (the Trust) for the year ended 31st March 2025, which are set out on pages 3 to 4.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act).

The 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with those records.

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.

T A Limond , ATT(Fellow)

Dated 10 December 2025

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