

Charity number:107220

ST. MARY'S ON THE HILL PRE-SCHOOL PLAYGROUP  
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT  
YEAR END 7 JULY 2023

The charity is known as St. Mary's on the Hill Pre-school Playgroup.

#### Committee Members

The members of the committee have held office during the year.

CHAIRPERSON: Gerald McCabe

TEASURER: Frances Kane

SECRETARY: Eibhlin Stewart

ORDINARY MEMBER: Mary Delaney

The committee of St. Mary's on the Hill Pre-school Playgroup are pleased to present their Annual Report for the year ended 8<sup>th</sup> July 2023.

#### What our organisation does

St. Mary's on the Hill Pre-school Playgroup provides a high standard of care and Early Years Education in a friendly, safe and stimulating environment, where children are happy, healthy and can express themselves confidently.

#### Our values and vision

Our philosophy is that each child is unique and special. We aim to foster individual talents by ensuring they;

- Feel valued
- Learn through play in a safe, stimulating environment
- Enjoy the company of other children
- Build relationships with adults away from the family
- Children are forming friendships with peers and adults increasing their social interactions
- Take part in a group which value everyone, whatever their age, race, gender, cultural background or special needs
- Develop his/her own character with the encouragement and support of adults
- Grow in self-confidence encouraging the ability to choose from a range of activities in a caring environment
- Develop independence of their own by managing apart from parents/carers
- Have access to a range of learning opportunities which encourage their development through planned activities appropriate to the core areas identified in the Northern Ireland pre-school curriculum

## Who benefits from our service

Children and their families who attend St. Mary's on the Hill Pre-school Playgroup. Benefits are identified by parental feedback, staff observations and progression reports, focus visits from Early Years Specialist, HSCT annual report and inspections from The Department of Education of Northern Ireland.