
New submission from Millbrook Parish Council Grant Application Form

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Your Organisation

Name of Organisation

Millbrook preschool

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Registered Charity Number

1027164

Number of members within your organisation

1-5

Describe the overall aim of your organisation and the activities or services it provides.

Our preschool has been a part of the village for over 50 years, we provide early years care and education to children aged 2 years to school age. We have cared for many vulnerable children and supported many children with referrals to outside professionals such as speech and language. We sign post many parents to support as we feel we have a role to support the whole family not just children.

Many families use our preschool as they attended themselves as children, they like their children being educated in the village they live in. The children come to us not only to support parents in work but for socialisation and to prepare for school.

Not only do we support the younger children in the community we also support secondary school children with work experience placements and college students/apprenticeships.

We have been part of many community events such as the Jubilee celebrations and also the Kings coronation big lunch.

At our last OFSTED inspection the report stated

Children's behaviour is excellent. They play cooperatively and are considerate to others. For instance, children spontaneously offer visitors a seat during lunch and show kindness and empathy towards their peers.

Staff provide active learning opportunities to help children find out about the local community. For instance, children learn how to keep the village tidy and they talk to the coastguards about their role in keeping people safe at sea.

Children are independent, confident and motivated learners. They make good progress from their starting points in preparation for their next stage of learning and beyond. Younger children enjoy making prints with paints, which supports their creativity well. Older children learn new words, such as 'nocturnal', 'explore' and 'investigate', to extend their good speaking skills. All children show a keen interest in books, and they show a good interest in illustrations to support their early reading skills well.

Project Details

Please outline the details of the project for which you are seeking funding from the Council

We are asking for the grant to help support us in running during a difficult period. We began the Autumn term with lower numbers than predicted due to some parents deferring starting to January 2024. This is because children cannot receive government funding until the term after their birthday.

We are asking for help towards rent, utilities, food, resources and advertising.

We have been proactive in ways to build our preschool and reinvent ourselves so we can become sustainable and secure for the future.

This has been done by introducing a Mini Monday session inviting younger children and parents into the preschool, this led to two new children signing up and parents asking for more sessions. Other parents saw our poster and came to us as they don't use social media so were nearly missed from education.

With the introduction of 2 year funding for working families in April we will be holding parent consultations to potentially increase our hours therefore supporting more families into work. We are aiming more at the two year funding as the government increased this funding significantly but due to the 'term after birthday' clause we can't access this until January.

We are more than confident we can be successful and grow the preschool as we know from January we will have more than double the children we had in September. If we can grow our preschool we can potentially employ or train more staff.

Who will benefit from the project?

Children and families who live and work in the village.

We have 7 children on register (at time of form)

2 children joining in November and 5 children in January as well as 3 children viewing in next few weeks.

Approximately how many of those who will benefit are parishioners?

All of above 14-17 children, parents and staff

Amount of funding requested

£ 2,000.00

Overall cost of your project

£ 2,000.00

If the total cost of your project is more than the grant request, how will the balance be financed?

We are also actively fundraising via crowdfunding and planned Christmas events

Latest Accounts

- [accounts-21.pdf](#)

Declaration & Consent

I am authorised to submit this application on behalf of:

Millbrook Preschool

In completing this application form, I acknowledge:

- ✓ Yes, I acknowledge the above.
- My group/organisation has the capacity to complete the project.
- My group/organisation has its own bank account.

Millbrook Parish Council will not accept grant applications from:

- Organisations which support or oppose political parties.
- Organisations that discriminate on the grounds of sex, race, disability, sexual orientation, religion and belief, or age.

Name of Signee

Vicki Richards