

Yellow Bunnies Sustainability

Yellow Bunnies Out of School, Holiday and Saturday Club

A long-established, innovative childcare club, extending to provide supportive, flexible childcare on Saturdays including for many children with additional needs.

Yellow Bunnies is a long-established Childcare Club within the county of Newport, South East Wales. They have been based within the Lysaght institute for the past 6 years and even longer under previous management. Having worked tirelessly during the Pandemic, ensuring families of key workers were able to access childcare as flexibly as possible, they have been a pillar of strength and consistency for many families in the local community. Ensuring all families can safely access childcare during the week as well as recently introducing a Saturday Club that has been supported through Clybiau Plant Clybaiu Plant Cymru Kids' Clubs sustainability funding from the Children and Communities Local Authority Funding Grant (CCG) . This grant enabled them to open and run the only CIW registered weekend childcare within the county. They have also been able to access Extra Hands funding for many children over the past 4 years where these children's families have struggled to find childcare that will support the individual needs of their child. Yellow Bunnies have been there for many vulnerable children also supporting out of school childcare where others couldn't.

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“The grant to let us open on a Saturday was invaluable to us as a setting, it enabled the vulnerable children we had, also access us on a weekend, giving them the structure they needed and the respite the parents needed. The Extra Hands grant we have been given has enabled so many children to access our setting, who wouldn't be able to without the Extra Hands, due to the extra care and attention they need. Many give us stories of how they have been turned away from other nurseries in the past and when they find us, they stay with us for many years. Without the Extra Hands, it's the children who will suffer and then of course their carers. We have so many vulnerable children with us currently, if we do not get extra hands for them for the next term, we unfortunately, have to turn them away and this includes a Saturday for any vulnerable children, we simply do not have the extra funds to cover them”.

Theresa Davies, Director Yellow Bunnies



When faced with the annual rent review and updated lease agreement from the landlord, there was a considerable concern regarding the proposed increase. Theresa Davies the Director reached Out to the Childcare Business Development Officer (CBDO) for support as the expenses had increased across all areas of the business. Theresa felt concerned that the amount proposed for rent increase was such a high percentage that they would be forced to provide new premises or to close the business totally.

Clare Dare (CBDO) supported Theresa with a Cashflow Forecast based upon the current attendance information and with updating the business plan. Theresa attended a meeting with the landlords and upon reviewing the information around the business they could see that there would be many challenges for Theresa and her childcare business if the rent was increased to the proposed amount. Through discussion and consideration of all the information provided, both parties negotiated an increase that would enable the business to remain sustainable without causing a negative impact upon the service provided to families.

Theresa expressed her thanks for the support provided by the CBDO and stated that:

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“I had an email from my landlord, who wanted to increase our rent by a huge, £44,000 a year; this was totally overwhelming from my point of view, as director of Yellow Bunnies, I could not see how the landlord would reduce their figures. Clare Dare’s help and guidance gave me the confidence to be able to tackle this setback and face the landlords directly, Clare’s support with the Cashflow Forecast was again invaluable to us as a setting, the closure of this setting was definitely going to happen, if they didn’t reduce their expectations of the rental increases, they projected. Thankfully, they looked at the information presented to them and accepted a figure the setting could sustain. I cannot express, we were going to close within 3 months of the new costings, so Clare Dare support, in my opinion, has helped save Yellow Bunnies Daycare.

If you need support or have any queries (big or small), don’t hesitate to contact us here at Clybiau Plant Cymru Kids Clubs, we’re here to help: info@clybiauplantcymru.org.

You can find out more about the support we can offer your club at our website: www.clybiauplantcymru.org

Cynladwyedd Yellow Bunnies

Clybiau All-Ysgol Gwyliau a Sadwrn Yellow Bunnies

Clwb gofal plant arloesol, sydd wedi ei hen sefydlu ac sy'n ymestyn i ddarparu gofal plant cefnogol, hyblyg ar ddydd Sadwrn gan gynnwys ar gyfer llawer o blant ag anghenion ychwanegol.

Mae Yellow Bunnies yn Glwb Gofal Plant sydd wedi'i hen sefydlu yn Sir Casnewydd, De-ddwyrain Cymru. Maent wedi'u lleoli yn sefydliad Lysaght am y 6 blynedd diwethaf, a hyd yn oed yn hirach o dan reolaeth flaenorol. Ar ôl gweithio'n ddiflino yn ystod y Pandemig, gan sicrhau bod teuluoedd gweithwyr allweddol yn gallu cael mynediad at ofal plant mor hyblyg â phosibl, maent wedi bod yn graig o gryfder a chysondeb i lawer o deuluoedd yn y gymuned leol. Sicrhau y gall pob teulu gael mynediad diogel i ofal plant yn ystod yr wythnos yn ogystal â chyflwyno Clwb Sadwrn yn ddiweddar sydd wedi'i gefnogi drwy gyllid cynaliadwyedd Clybiau Plant Clybiau Plant Cymru o Grant Ariannu'r Awdurdodau Lleol - y Grant Plant a Chymunedau. Galluogodd y grant hwn iddynt agor a rhedeg yr unig ofal-plant penwythnos yn y sir sy'n gofrestredig ag AGC. Maent hefyd wedi llwyddo i gael cyllid Help Llaw i nifer o blant dros y 4 blynedd diwethaf, pan fydd eu teuluoedd wedi cael trafferth dod o hyd i ofal plant a fyddai'n cynorthwyo o ran anghenion unigol eu plentyn. Mae Yellow Bunnies wedi bod yno i lawer o blant hyglwyf, gan hefyd gefnogi gofal plant all-ysgol lle na allai eraill.

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“Roedd y grant i adael i ni agor ar ddydd Sadwrn yn amhrisiadwy i ni fel lleoliad, roedd yn galluogi'r plant hyglwyf a oedd gennym i gael mynediad hefyd ar benwythnos, gan roi'r strwythur yr oedd ei angen arny'n nhw a'r seibiant oedd ei angen ar y rhieni. Mae'r grant Help Llaw a roddwyd i ni wedi galluogi cymaint o blant i gael mynediad i'n lleoliad, rhai na fyddent yn gallu gwneud hynny heb y grant help llaw, oherwydd y gofal a'r sylw ychwanegol sydd eu hangen arnynt. Mae llawer yn rhannu hanesion a ni am sut y cawsant eu troi i ffwrdd o feithrinfeydd eraill yn y gorffennol, a phan fyddant yn dod o hyd atom ni, maent yn aros gyda ni am flynyddoedd lawer. Heb y grant help llaw, y plant fyddai'n dioddef, ac yna eu gofalwyr wrth gwrs. Mae gennym gymaint o blant hyglwyf ar hyn o bryd, os na chawn grant help llaw ar gyfer y tymor nesaf, yn anffodus, bydd yn rhaid i ni eu troi i ffwrdd a byddai hyn yn cynnwys Dyddiau Sadwrn i unrhyw blant hyglwyf; yn syml iawn nid oes gennym yr arian ychwanegol. i'w cynnwys”.

Theresa Davies, Cyfarwyddwr Yellow Bunnies



Wrth wynebu'r adolygiad rhent blynyddol a'r cytundeb les wedi'i ddiweddarau gan y landlord, roedd cryn bryder ynghylch y cynnydd arfaethedig. Cysylltodd Theresa Davies y Cyfarwyddwr allan at y Swyddog Datblygu Busnesau Gofal Plant (SDBG) am gymorth gan fod y costau wedi cynyddu ar draws pob rhan o'r busnes. Teimlai Theresa yn bryderus fod y swm a gynigiwyd ar gyfer codiad rhent yn ganran mor uchel fel y byddent yn cael eu gorfodi i ddarparu eiddo newydd neu gau'r busnes yn gyfan gwbl.

Cefnogodd Clare Dare (y SDBG) Theresa gyda Rhagolwg Llif Arian yn seiliedig ar y wybodaeth bresennol am bresenoldeb a chyda diweddarau'r cynllun busnes. Mynychodd Theresa gyfarfod gyda'r landlordiaid ac ar ôl adolygu'r wybodaeth am y busnes gallent weld y byddai llawer o heriau i Theresa a'i busnes gofal plant pe bai'r rhent yn cynyddu i'r swm arfaethedig. Trwy drafod ac ystyried yr holl wybodaeth a ddarparwyd, bu i'r ddwy ochr drafod cynnydd a fyddai'n galluogi'r busnes i barhau'n gynaliadwy heb achosi effaith negyddol ar y gwasanaeth a ddarperir i deuluoedd.

Mynegodd Theresa ei diolch am y gefnogaeth a ddarparwyd gan y SDBG a dywedodd:

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“Cefais e-bost gan fy landlord, a oedd eisiau cynyddu ein rhent yn ol y swm enfawr o £44,000 y flwyddyn; roedd hyn yn gwbl aruthrol o'm safbwynt i fel cyfarwyddwr Yellow Bunnies, ni allwn weld sut y byddai'r landlord yn lleihau eu ffigyrau. Rhoddodd cymorth ac arweiniad Clare Dare i mi'r hyder i allu mynd i'r afael â'r rhwystr yma a wynebu'r landlordiaid yn uniongyrchol, roedd cefnogaeth Clare gyda'r Rhagolwg Llif Arian unwaith eto yn amhrisiadwy i ni fel lleoliad, roedd cau'r lleoliad hwn yn bendant. yn mynd i ddigwydd, os na fyddent yn lleihau eu disgwyliadau o'r codiadau rhent, roedden nhw'n eu rhagweld. Diolch byth, fe wnaethant edrych ar y wybodaeth a gyflwynwyd iddynt a derbyn ffigwr y gallai'r lleoliad ei gynnal. Ni allaf fynegi, roeddem yn mynd i gau o fewn 3 mis i mewn i'r costau newydd, felly mae cefnogaeth Clare Dare, yn fy marn i, wedi helpu i achub clwb gofal-dydd Yellow Bunnies.

Os oes angen cymorth arnoch neu os oes gennych unrhyw ymholiadau peidiwch ag oedi rhag cysylltu â ni yma yng Clybiau Plant Cymru Kids Clubs, rydym yma i helpu: info@clybiauplantcymru.org

Gallwch ddod i wybod mwy am y gefnogaeth y gallwn ei chynnig i'ch clwb ar ein gwefan: www.clybiauplantcymru.org