

## **2021 Treasurer's Report – Golden Square Kinder**

It has been a privilege to serve as the Treasurer of Golden Square Kinder this year. Unfortunately the challenges that Covid-19 presented to us in 2020 have continued through 2021.

The Government provided free kinder for Victorian families this year which was a welcome support indeed for our families.

This year the Kinder has seen phase 1 of our building grant completed. Phase 1 being the upgrade of the existing bathroom facilities. Phase 2, being the construction of an additional room to house our forthcoming 3-Year-Old Kinder program, is still in the planning and development stage with construction still yet to commence. A big thankyou to the staff who have worked under cramped conditions throughout the year while these renovations are being undertaken.

Our major maintenance expense for the year was painting the interior of the facility. This has made a huge improvement to the appearance of the centre.

For 2022 our focus will be on the additional equipment and grounds expenses required but not covered under our grant funding for the new 3-Year-Old Kinder room which will cater for approximately 70 additional enrolments.

Despite these challenges of the Covid-19 restrictions and lockdowns, as well as the impact of the ongoing renovations, the Kinder staff have continued to provide an interesting and educational program for the children under very different circumstances to the normal.

My sincere thanks and appreciation go to this year's committee, ably led by our President Julianne Baldock. Julianne has shown a high level of commitment and ability to the role throughout another uncertain year.

To all the teachers and educators at Golden Square Kindergarten thank you for continuing to make our kinder the best kinder. Your continued dedication to our children does not go unnoticed.

Our Kinder continues to be in a strong financial position and this will enable us to cope with the upcoming challenges of the building program as well as the expansion to include a 3-Year-Old program next year.

Our unaudited financial position shows that our bank accounts hold \$ 987,520 and our total equity is \$1,173,166. Please take some time to read our audited financial report when you have a moment.

**Renee Burnham**

**Treasurer 2021**