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Ashfold School Trust Limited

Abbreviated Financial Statements 31st August 1999

Registered number: 1287451

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Wenn Townsend

Chartered Accountants

Oxford

Auditors' report to Ashfold School Trust Limited under section 247B to the Companies Act 1985

We have examined the abbreviated financial statements set out on pages 2 to 4, together with the financial statements of the company for the year ended 31st August 1999 prepared under section 226 of the Companies Act 1985.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors are responsible for preparing the abbreviated financial statements in accordance with section 246 of the Companies Act 1985. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion as to whether the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated financial statements prepared in accordance with sections 246(5) and (6) of the Act to the registrar of companies and whether the financial statements to be delivered are properly prepared in accordance with those provisions and to report our opinion to you.

Basis of opinion

We have carried out the procedures we considered necessary to confirm, by reference to the financial statements, that the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated financial statements and that the abbreviated financial statements to be delivered are properly prepared. The scope of our work for the purpose of this report does not include examining or dealing with events after the date of our report on the full financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated financial statements prepared in accordance with sections 246(5) and (6) of the Companies Act 1985, and the abbreviated financial statements on pages 2 to 4 are properly prepared in accordance with those provisions.

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Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

Oxford

25th November 1999

Abbreviated Balance Sheet

31st August 1999

	Note		·	1998
Fixed assets				
Tangible assets	2	2,134,934		2,100,624
Current assets				
Stocks Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	3,004 23,966 1,070		2,209 24,816 1,050	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	28,040		28,075 (400,591)	
Net current liabilities		(397,735)		(372,516)
Total assets less current liabilities	£	1,737,199	£	1,728,108
Reserves				
Revaluation reserve Other reserves (restricted) Profit and loss account	£	1,569,320 86,917 80,962 1,737,199	£	1,569,320 86,917 71,871

These financial statements are prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

The abbreviated financial statements on pages 2 to 4 were approved by the board of directors on 25th November 1999 and signed on its behalf by:

C J G Atkinson

Director

Notes on Abbreviated Financial Statements

31st August 1999

1 Accounting policies

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost accounting rules and in accordance with applicable accounting standards and SORP "Accounting by Charities".

Cash flow statement

The company has taken advantage of the exemption from preparing a cash flow statement conferred by Financial Reporting Standard 1, on the grounds that it qualifies as a small company under the Companies Act 1985.

Incoming resources

Incoming resources represents the amount derived from the provision of goods and services falling within the company's activities in the UK, recognised on an accruals basis.

Depreciation

Depreciation of fixed assets is calculated to write off their cost or valuation less any residual value over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Freehold land and buildings

Freehold improvements

Furniture and equipment

Vehicles and mowers

Computers

Nil

15% Straight line

10-15% Straight line

20% Straight line

331/3% Straight line

The freehold buildings form an important part of the character of the School and are continually maintained in order that their life is extended indefinitely and therefore a charge to depreciation would not be material.

Leases and hire purchase contracts

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to income as incurred.

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is computed on a first in first out basis. Net realisable value is based on estimated selling price less the estimated cost of disposal.

Donations

Items donated to the school have not been included in the accounts due to the difficulty of establishing a value. The governors also gratefully acknowledge the significant amount of volunteer time given by the parents committee.

Pensions

Pension costs represent contributions under the DES teachers' superannuation scheme and a defined contribution scheme. Both the DES and the defined contribution scheme's costs are shown in the accounts as charged, the payments being made to external funds.

Notes on Abbreviated Financial Statements

31st August 1999

2 Fixed assets

	Tangible fixed assets
Cost or valuation	
At 1st September 1998 Additions Disposals	2,315,712 48,902 (13,088)
At 31st August 1999	£ 2,351,526
Depreciation	
At 1st September 1998 Charge for the year On disposals	215,088 14,592 (13,088)
At 31st August 1999	£ 216,592
Net book value	
At 31st August 1999	£ 2,134,934
At 1st September 1998	£ 2,100,624