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ST BEDE'S SCHOOL TRUST SUSSEX
(A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)
ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2003



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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION
YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2003

GOVERNORS

The current Governors, who are also the directors of the company and trustees of the charity, and those who served during the year, are:

D L Summers
D O Baker
K Edwards*
M C Griffiths TD DL*
T Martin-Jenkins
A L Meier CB, OBE
Lady Newton
J A Sellick*
W D Troy*
L Whistler

* denotes members of the Finance Committee

Headmaster	Mr S Cole, BA
Company Secretary	Mrs P M Russell
Registered Office	The Dicker Hailsham East Sussex BN27 3QH

ADVISORS

Bankers	Barclays Bank Plc Knightsbridge Business Centre PO Box 32104 London NW1 2ZG
Solicitors	Dawson & Co 2 New Square Lincolns Inn London WC2A 3RZ
Auditors	Horwath Clark Whitehill 25 New Street Square London EC4A 3LN

ST BEDE'S SCHOOL TRUST SUSSEX
GOVERNORS' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2003

The Governors, who are the company's directors, present their annual report and the audited accounts of St Bede's School Trust Sussex for the year ended 31 August 2003.

Status and Administration

St Bede's School Trust Sussex is a registered charitable company established in 1978, charity number 278950, company number 1386499. The liability of the members of the company is limited by guarantee. It is administered by a board of governors who are listed on page 1. The day-to-day management of the schools is delegated to the senior school Headmaster and the company secretary.

Objects

The objects of St Bede's School Trust Sussex are to promote and provide for the advancement and education of children and young persons from the United Kingdom and elsewhere. These objects are achieved by the provision of day and boarding education on a co-educational basis at both its preparatory school and its senior school and by the provision of summer school facilities. The charity aims to enable each student to achieve the best of his or her ability, and scholarships and bursaries are awarded to students with special talents or needs so that they can benefit from the opportunities offered by the two schools.

Governance

The schools are run in accordance with the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the charitable company by a board of governors listed above. Governors retire in rotation every three years and can stand for re-election. The Chairman is elected by the governors every three years and may normally stand twice for re-election.

The Governors meet three times a year, with members of the Finance Committee under the Chairmanship of Mr W D Troy meeting three weeks before each meeting of the full Governing Body.

The other principal committee is the Building Development Committee, chaired by Mr A L Meier, which meets once a term in advance of the meeting of the full Governing Body.

Review of Recent Achievements

Senior School

The Senior School has achieved its highest roll to date with 681 students of which 314 are boarders. Similar numbers are registered for next year and registrations for 2005 and 2006 are already strong.

Academic results for last year were again very strong with an overall pass rate in excess of 99% at GCSE (86.2% A* - C), and 98% at A level. A total of 88% of our students went on to study at the university of their choice. Girls' results especially were better than many selective independent schools in the area.

The sporting ability and reputation of the school continues to grow and some outstanding results were achieved this year. In Football the boys First XI reached the quarter finals of the Independent Schools' Cup whilst in Rugby the U16s made the Sussex final and the girls Cricket team won the Sussex competition. Four pupils represented their countries at their sport at international level.

The overall range of activities at St Bede's continues to be extensive and very impressive music, drama and dance performances were staged. The School also enjoyed particular success in debating.

The School underwent two inspections during the course of the year by CReSTeD and the National Care Standards Commission. Both were entirely satisfactory.

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The opening of the Perrin block in November 2002, comprising classrooms and a day boys' house, marked the completion of the most recent building project at the Senior School at a total cost of £1,659,000 of which £153,000 was in this financial year. The kitchens and dining room underwent further modernisation and reorganisation,

Preparatory School

The Prep School roll is 384 of which 58 are boarders. Registrations once again look healthy for next year, boys boarding is full and the Nursery and Reception Departments have waiting lists for places. A number of scholarships were awarded to leaving students, to the Senior and other schools.

The School was inspected in the spring term of 2003 and the Inspectors concluded that:

The School is successful in meeting its aims, which are rooted in valuing each child and ensuring that they enjoy school life. A sound overall education is provided that enables most pupils to enter the secondary school of their choice when they leave at the age of thirteen. Several aspects of school provision are good and most others are at least satisfactory. However, some shortcomings in managing the monitoring and evaluation of teaching and learning place limits on the school's effectiveness.

Substantial work continued on the roof, rear and front elevations of the building and a planning application was submitted for a major extension to the Science Laboratories.

Community Support

The Senior School gives considerable support to the village of Upper Dicker. It allows certain public use of the swimming pool, it maintains the village church and provides a vicar. It maintains the village football and cricket grounds and facilitates the provision of the village shop and post office. The school's educational and recreational facilities are also made available to the local state primary school.

Financial results

The accounts for the year ended 31 August 2003 are published with this report. The Statement of Financial Activities shows net incoming resources in the year of £1,603,112 and this has been added to the brought forward reserves to give total reserves carried forward of £11,258,210.

Investment Powers

The school does not hold any long-term investments other than the investment in its subsidiary companies. Any surplus funds, after meeting the operating requirements of the school, are held as cash deposits.

Reserves Policy

At the balance sheet date, the school held funds totalling £11.26 million. The school's fixed assets, net of borrowings currently £1.3 million, represent £10.08 million. Restricted funds were £0.13 million with free reserves of £1.05 million. At the present time the Governors continue to focus on the delivery of the School's development programme, which will require careful management of cash flow and appropriate financing.

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The Governors have considered the level of free reserves held, have examined the School's cash flows, and are satisfied that they are adequate for the purpose of meeting its working capital requirements, particularly whilst the development programme is put into operation. The School has an arrangement with Barclays Bank PLC for a bank overdraft of £300,000 which may be drawn down to finance short term cash flow requirements. The Governors will continue to review the position.

Grant-Making Policy

This year bursaries, scholarships and other awards totalling £1,357,010 were made. The governors' policy is to make these awards on the basis of the pupils' educational ability. In addition, discount and other deductions from gross fees totalling £911,936 were made during the year.

Risk Management

The Trustees acknowledge their responsibility for establishing a risk management system for the Trust and have instituted an ongoing review formally considered at governors' meetings that ensures fully compliant risk-mitigation reporting. Detailed consideration of risk is currently delegated to the Finance Committee, who are assisted by the Senior Management Teams at both Schools. Through the risk management processes established for the School, the Governors are satisfied that risks identified are being mitigated where necessary. It is recognised that systems can only provide reasonable but not absolute assurance that major risks have been adequately managed.

Statement of Governors' Responsibilities in respect of the accounts

Company law requires the governors to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the company and of the results of the company for that period. In preparing those accounts, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The governors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy, at any time, the financial position of the company and to enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Companies Act 1985. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Auditors

Horwath Clark Whitehill were appointed as the auditors of the company during the year. A resolution for their re-appointment will be proposed at the next Annual General Meeting.

Approved by the Governors at a Meeting on 4th March 2004 and signed on their behalf by


Chairman

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF ST. BEDE'S SCHOOL TRUST SUSSEX

We have audited the accounts of St Bede's School Trust Sussex for the year ended 31 August 2003 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and the related notes set out on pages 6 to 18. These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention the accounting policies set out on pages 10 and 11.

This report is made solely to the company's members in accordance with Section 235 of the Companies Act 1985. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinion we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of the Governors and auditors

The responsibilities of the Governors, who are also the charity trustees for the purposes of charity law, for preparing the accounts in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards are set out in the Statement of Governors' Responsibilities on page 4.

Our responsibility is to audit the accounts in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and United Kingdom Auditing Standards.

We report to you our opinion as to whether the accounts give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985. We also report to you if, in our opinion, the Governors' Report is not consistent with the accounts, if the charitable company has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding directors' remuneration and transactions with the charitable company is not disclosed.

We read the other information contained in the Annual Report and consider whether it is consistent with the audited accounts. We consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements or material inconsistencies with the accounts. Our responsibilities do not extend to any other information.

Basis of opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with United Kingdom Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the accounts. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgments made by the Governors in the preparation of the accounts, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the charitable company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance as to whether the accounts are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the accounts.

Unqualified opinion

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 August 2003 and of its result for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.



Horwath Clark Whitehill
Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

Date 4/3/04

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ST BEDE'S SCHOOL TRUST SUSSEX
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(incorporating an Income and Expenditure Account)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2003

	General Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2003 £	Total 2002 £
INCOMING RESOURCES				
Charitable activities				
Fees receivable (note 2)	10,228,061	-	10,228,061	8,949,961
Other income (note 2)	2,437,224	-	2,437,224	2,735,558
Covenants	4,032	-	4,032	29,560
Management charges	-	-	-	-
Rental income	115,423	-	115,423	113,474
Bank interest receivable	95,790	-	95,790	78,174
Donations	5,313	6,921	12,234	31,959
Subscriptions	-	35,663	35,663	57,410
Other incoming resources	9,730	-	9,730	19,754
Total Incoming Resources	12,895,573	42,584	12,938,157	12,015,850
RESOURCES EXPENDED (note 5)				
Costs of generating funds				
Bank and mortgage interest	82,934	-	82,934	96,538
Fee provisions	32,708	-	32,708	39,837
Publicity and marketing	149,800	-	149,800	176,603
Charitable Expenditure				
Academic	7,577,487	2,187	7,579,674	7,016,917
Housekeeping and catering	1,213,877	-	1,213,877	1,164,027
Premises	1,554,472	-	1,554,472	1,331,170
Support costs	682,448	4,709	687,157	681,414
Management and administration of the charity	34,423	-	34,423	37,170
Total Resources Expended	11,328,149	6,896	11,335,045	10,543,676
Net Incoming Resources (note 3)	1,567,424	35,688	1,603,112	1,472,174
Unrealised loss on investments	-	-	-	(2,277)
Net Movement in Funds	1,567,424	35,688	1,603,112	1,469,897
Reserves Brought Forward	9,587,593	67,505	9,655,098	8,185,201
Transfers in the year (note 12)	(25,743)	25,743	-	-
Reserves Carried Forward	11,129,274	128,936	11,258,210	9,655,098

The notes on pages 10 to 18 form part of these accounts.

ST BEDE'S SCHOOL TRUST SUSSEX
BALANCE SHEET
AT 31 AUGUST 2003

	Notes	2003 £	2002 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	6	11,358,269	11,000,234
Investment in subsidiary companies	7	25,914	25,914
		<u>11,384,183</u>	<u>11,026,148</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	8	633,908	907,180
Cash at bank and in hand		2,696,805	1,158,057
		<u>3,330,713</u>	<u>2,065,237</u>
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	9	<u>(2,181,378)</u>	<u>(2,035,599)</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>1,149,335</u>	<u>29,638</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>12,533,518</u>	<u>11,055,786</u>
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due after more than one year	10	<u>(1,275,308)</u>	<u>(1,400,688)</u>
		<u>11,258,210</u>	<u>9,655,098</u>
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS		11,129,274	9,587,593
RESTRICTED FUNDS - Legat Dance Studio and Past pupils associations	12	128,936	67,505
		<u>11,258,210</u>	<u>9,655,098</u>

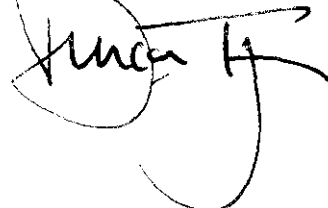
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Approved on behalf of the Governing Body on

4th March 2004


Chairman of the Governing Body

Chairman of the Finance Committee



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CASHFLOW STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2003

	£	2003 £	£	2002 £
Net cash inflow from operating activities (Note a)		2,413,808		1,505,939
Returns on investment and servicing of finance				
Bank interest received	95,790		78,174	
Bank interest paid	<u>(73,778)</u>		<u>(83,109)</u>	
		22,012		(4,935)
Capital expenditure and financial investment				
Payments to acquire tangible fixed assets	(823,453)		(2,204,370)	
Sales of tangible fixed assets	<u>13,142</u>		<u>5,000</u>	
		(810,311)		(2,199,370)
Management of liquid resources (Increase)/decrease in short term deposits		(1,250,000)		150,000
Financing				
Loan repayments in year		<u>(86,761)</u>		<u>(77,354)</u>
Increase/(decrease) in cash (Note b)		<u>288,748</u>		<u>(625,720)</u>
Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net funds				
Increase/(decrease) in cash in the year		288,748		(625,720)
Increase/(decrease) in short term deposits		1,250,000		(150,000)
Decrease in mortgage loans		<u>86,761</u>		<u>77,354</u>
Increase/(decrease) in net funds		1,625,509		(698,366)
Net debts at 1 September 2002		<u>(230,117)</u>		<u>468,249</u>
Net funds at 31 August 2003		<u>1,395,392</u>		<u>(230,117)</u>

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CASHFLOW STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2003

NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT

a) Reconciliation of net incoming resources to net cash inflow from operating activities

	2003 £	2002 £
Net incoming resources for the year	1,603,112	1,472,174
Bank interest received	(95,790)	(78,174)
Bank interest paid	73,778	83,109
Depreciation/impairment of investment	447,986	222,545
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	4,290	1,879
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	273,272	52,451
(Decrease)/increase in creditors	107,160	(248,045)
Net cash inflow from operating activities	<u>2,413,808</u>	<u>1,505,939</u>

b) Analysis of changes in net funds

	As at 1 September 2002 £	Cash flow £	As at 31 August 2003 £
Cash at bank and in hand	(91,943)	288,748	196,805
Short term deposit	1,250,000	1,250,000	2,500,000
Mortgage loans	(1,388,174)	86,761	(1,301,413)
	<u>(230,117)</u>	<u>1,625,509</u>	<u>1,395,392</u>

ST BEDE'S SCHOOL TRUST SUSSEX
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2003

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Basis of Accounting

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities (Charities SORP 2000), and applicable accounting standards and are drawn up under the historical cost convention.

The activities of the charity's wholly owned subsidiary trading companies are considered by the Governors to be immaterial to those of the charity and, in accordance with the Charities SORP 2000, consolidated accounts have not been prepared. Covenant payments receivable from these subsidiaries are included in the Statement of Financial Activities.

b) Fixed Assets

Tangible fixed assets are capitalised and are depreciated to write off the excess of cost over estimated residual amounts evenly over their estimated useful lives. The current estimated rates of depreciation are:

Land is not depreciated	
Freehold buildings	2% on cost
Agricultural equipment	Straight line method over 5 years
Furniture and equipment	Straight line method over 10 years
Computer Equipment	Straight line method over 2 years
Motor vehicles	Straight line method over 5 years

c) Lease costs

Rentals payable under operating leases and licence agreements are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the lease term.

d) Income

Income, which is all generated from continuing activities, is accounted for under the accruals concept, in the period in which the related services are provided. Fees are stated after deducting bursaries, scholarships and other remissions granted by the School.

e) Donations

Donations received for the general purpose of the School are credited to "Unrestricted Funds". Donations and other income received for specific projects are credited to "Restricted Funds".

f) Expenditure

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. Support costs comprise costs incurred directly in support of the objects of the School. Management and administration costs include expenditure on compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements. Certain expenditure is apportioned to cost categories based on estimated amounts attributable to that activity in the year.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

g) Pension Costs

The school contributes to the Teachers' Pension Defined Benefits Scheme at rates set by the Scheme Actuary and advised to the School by the Scheme Administrator. The Scheme is a multi-employer pension scheme and it is not possible to identify the assets and liabilities of the Scheme which are attributable to the School. In accordance with FRS17 the Scheme is accounted for as a defined contribution scheme and contributions are accounted for in the period to which they relate.

For non-teaching staff the School contributes to individual personal pension schemes managed by Clerical Medical. These contributions are accounted for in the period to which they relate.

2. FEES RECEIVABLE

	2003 £	2002 £
The fees receivable comprised:		
Gross fees	12,476,541	10,921,809
Less: Bursaries, scholarships and other awards	(1,357,010)	(1,170,027)
Discounts and other deductions	(911,936)	(822,652)
Registration fees	20,466	20,831
	<u>10,228,061</u>	<u>8,949,961</u>
Other charitable income comprised:		
Summer School income	959,393	1,216,596
European scheme income	253,191	208,176
Extras charged for activities	1,214,006	1,303,016
Sundry gifts and school yearbook	10,634	7,770
	<u>2,437,224</u>	<u>2,735,558</u>
	<u>12,665,285</u>	<u>11,685,519</u>

3. NET INCOMING RESOURCES

The operating surplus is stated after charging/(crediting)

Auditors' remuneration	audit	13,924	13,248
	Other	12,682	2,350
Depreciation		447,986	222,545
Loss on sale of fixed asset		4,290	1,879
Operating leases		4,440	4,287
Hire of plant and machinery		8,422	24,056
Income from property leases		<u>(25,000)</u>	<u>(25,000)</u>

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4. EMPLOYEES	2003 £	2002 £
Staff costs:		
Wages and salaries	6,050,620	5,601,244
Social security costs	452,572	402,248
Pension costs	431,620	350,179
	<u>6,934,812</u>	<u>6,353,671</u>

The average full-time equivalent number of employees in the year was 384 (2002: 368).

Neither the governors nor persons connected with them received any remuneration, or benefits from the school or any connected organisation.

The number of employees whose emoluments exceeded £50,000 was:

	No.	No.
£80,001 – £90,000	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

5. ANALYSIS OF TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED

	Staff Costs £	Other £	Depreciation £	2003 £	2002 £
Academic	5,275,982	2,189,648	114,044	7,579,674	7,016,917
Housekeeping and catering	776,548	437,329	-	1,213,877	1,164,027
Premises	426,524	794,007	333,942	1,554,473	1,331,170
Support	455,758	231,398	-	687,156	681,414
Management and administration of the charity	-	34,423	-	34,423	37,170
	<u>6,934,812</u>	<u>3,686,805</u>	<u>447,986</u>	<u>11,069,603</u>	<u>10,230,698</u>
Publicity and marketing	-	149,800	-	149,800	176,603
Bad debts	-	32,708	-	32,708	39,837
Finance costs	-	82,934	-	82,934	96,538
	<u>6,934,812</u>	<u>3,952,247</u>	<u>447,986</u>	<u>11,335,045</u>	<u>10,543,676</u>

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6. FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold property £	Freehold land £	Computer equipment £	Agricultural equipment £
Cost				
At 1 September 2002	11,356,629	195,953	-	65,019
Additions	543,492	-	83,805	21,206
Disposals	-	-	-	-
At 31 August 2003	11,900,121	195,953	83,805	86,225
Depreciation				
At 1 September 2002	977,497	-	-	44,664
Charge for year	238,002	-	41,543	7,488
At 31 August 2003	1,215,499	-	41,543	52,152
Net book value				
At 31 August 2003	10,684,622	195,953	41,543	34,073
At 31 August 2002	10,379,132	195,953	-	20,355

	Furniture and equipment £	Motor Vehicles £	Totals £
Cost:			
At 1 September 2002	857,717	425,891	12,901,209
Additions	64,667	111,003	823,453
Disposals	-	(55,720)	(55,720)
At 31 August 2003	922,384	481,174	13,668,942
Depreciation:			
At 1 September 2002	594,937	283,877	1,900,975
Charge for year	88,451	72,502	447,986
Eliminated on disposals	-	(38,288)	(38,288)
At 31 August 2003	683,388	318,091	2,310,673
Net book value			
At 31 August 2003	238,996	163,083	11,358,269
At 31 August 2002	262,780	142,014	11,000,234

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7. INVESTMENTS IN SUBSIDIARIES

At 1 September 2002	£ 25,914
Increase in provision	<u>-</u>
At 31 August 2003	<u>25,914</u>

The Charity held 100% of the issued share capital of four unlisted subsidiary companies at the beginning and end of the year. The aggregate capital and reserves and profit for the year before the payment under deed of covenant for the subsidiary companies was as follows

Dicker Enterprises Ltd	31.8.03	31.8.02
	£	£
Aggregate capital and reserves	11,996	11,996
Profit for the year	<u>-</u>	<u>38,569</u>
Holywell Supplies Ltd		
Aggregate capital and reserves	8,289	8,289
Profit for the period	<u>5,305</u>	<u>7,903</u>
Holywell Holidays Ltd	31.8.03	31.8.02
	£	£
Aggregate capital and reserves	(1,642)	5,468
(Loss)/profit for the period	<u>(7,110)</u>	<u>8,353</u>
Letchfield Properties Limited	31.8.03	31.8.02
	£	£
Aggregate capital and reserves	436	436
Profit for the period	<u>817</u>	<u>3,644</u>

The investment in subsidiaries comprises companies that have been included at cost of £46,010 less a provision to reflect the previous year's accumulated losses in the subsidiary companies.

The results of these subsidiary companies have not been consolidated due to their immateriality. The profits from the companies are paid to the charity by way of management fees and covenants.

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8. DEBTORS

	2003 £	2002 £
Fees recoverable	414,523	760,877
Amounts owed by subsidiary companies	72,634	86,497
Other debtors	873	2,391
Prepayments	145,878	57,415
	<u>633,908</u>	<u>907,180</u>

9. CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year

Mortgage Loans	85,538	96,514
Amounts owed to subsidiary companies	-	6,929
Fees charged in advance	1,025,560	1,250,725
Entrance fee deposits	393,066	162,796
Trade creditors	71,891	111,687
Other taxation and social security costs	158,638	133,526
Other creditors and accruals	446,685	273,422
	<u>2,181,378</u>	<u>2,035,599</u>

10. CREDITORS: amounts falling due after more than one year

Mortgage loans	1,215,875	1,291,660
Fees charged in advance	59,433	109,028
	<u>1,275,308</u>	<u>1,400,688</u>

Mortgage loans repayable by instalments are due as follows

Within 1 Year	85,538	96,514
1 - 2 Years	85,538	96,514
2 - 5 Years	256,613	289,542
More than 5 Years	873,724	905,604
	<u>1,301,413</u>	<u>1,388,174</u>

The mortgages are repayable by instalments and are secured on the freehold property.

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11. ALLOCATION OF NET ASSETS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £
Tangible fixed assets	11,358,269	-	11,358,269
Investment in subsidiaries	25,914	-	25,914
Current assets	3,201,777	128,936	3,330,713
Current liabilities	(2,181,378)	-	(2,181,378)
Long term liabilities	(1,275,308)	-	(1,275,308)
	<u>11,129,274</u>	<u>128,936</u>	<u>11,258,210</u>

12. RESTRICTED FUNDS

	At 1.9.02 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	At 31.8.03 £
Former Pupils Association	65,498	23,925	(4,709)	-	84,714
St Bede's Society	-	11,738	-	-	11,738
Legat Ballet	<u>2,007</u>	<u>6,921</u>	<u>(2,187)</u>	<u>25,743</u>	<u>32,484</u>
	<u>67,505</u>	<u>42,584</u>	<u>(6,896)</u>	<u>25,743</u>	<u>128,936</u>

The balance on the Former Pupils Association and St. Bede's Society Funds represent amounts received as subscriptions to the St. Bede's Former Students Association.

The balance on the Legat Ballet Fund represents donations received to support pupils at the Legat Ballet School.

13. PENSIONS COSTS

The School makes contributions to pension schemes as described in note 1(g). The assets of the Teachers Pension Scheme are held separately from those of the School.

The School participates in a multi-employer defined benefits pension scheme, the Teachers' Pension Scheme (England and Wales) ("the Scheme"), for its teaching staff. As a result it is not possible or appropriate to identify the assets and liabilities of the Scheme which are attributable to the School.

The last Report by the Government Actuary (GA) covered the period 1 April 1996 to 31 March 2001. The valuation statement as at 31 March 2001, made in March 2003, revealed that the total liabilities of the Scheme (the estimated cost of past and future service benefits of existing members) amounted to £142,880 million.

In accordance with the Teachers' Pension (Amendment) Regulations 2002, the actuarial review assumed that the value of the scheme assets equalled the value of the scheme liabilities as at 31 March 2001. The scheme assets as at 31 March 2001 consisted of future contributions in respect of existing members valued at £40,870 million and a balance of £102,010 million in the Teachers' Pension Account being a notional investment.

The actuarial review assumed that the real rate of return on the notional investment is 3.5% in excess of price increases and 2% in excess of general earnings increases, therefore assuming a rate of real earnings growth of 1.5%. The assumed long-term gross rate of return is 7%.

Following this report the standard contribution rate has been raised from 14.35% to 19.5% from 1 April 2003. 6% is to be paid by the teachers and the remaining 13.5% borne by the School.

The pension costs charged in the financial statements represents contributions payable by the School to the Teachers Pension Scheme and to the individual personal pension funds.

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14. TAXATION

The company is registered as a UK charity and is able to take advantage of the exemptions available to charities.

15. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

	2003 £	2002 £
Authorised and contracted for:	-	-

16. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The directors believe that there are no contingent liabilities at the Balance Sheet date nor are they aware of any that have arisen since that date.

17. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

DICKER ENTERPRISES LIMITED:

Rent of £31,500 was received from this subsidiary on a lease granted to them on the sports complex and swimming pool. A licence fee of £41,125, including value added tax, was paid to them for school use of this sports facility. A charge of £6,297 was made to this company by the School for services provided.

LETCHFIELD PROPERTIES LIMITED:

The company paid rent of £16,667 and £817 under a deed of covenant to the charity in the year ended 31 August 2003.

HOLYWELL SUPPLIES LIMITED:

The company paid £5,305 under a deed of covenant to the charity in the year ended 31 August 2003.

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18. RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN RESERVES

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2003 Total £	2002 Total £
Opening Reserve	9,587,593	67,505	9,655,098	8,185,201
Transfers in the year	(25,743)	25,743	-	
Surplus for the year	<u>1,567,424</u>	<u>35,688</u>	<u>1,603,112</u>	<u>1,469,897</u>
Closing Reserve Fund	<u>11,129,274</u>	<u>128,936</u>	<u>11,258,210</u>	<u>9,655,098</u>

The Restricted Reserve represents funds held for the Past Pupils Association of the Legat Dance School.

19. SHARE CAPITAL

The company is limited by guarantee and does not have a share capital. The liability of the members in the event of winding up is limited to £1.