Company No: 2754953

Financial Statements

For the year ended 30th November 1998

MYRUS SMITH Chartered Accountants

Times House Throwley Way Sutton Surrey SM1 4AF



Company Information

Company No: 2754953

Registered Office

Times House Throwley Way, Sutton Surrey SM1 4AF

Directors

S M Smith F C Shepherd

Secretary

F C Shepherd

Auditors

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Directors' Report

for the year ended 30th November 1998

The directors submit their report together with the audited financial statements for the year ended 30th November 1998.

Directors' Statement

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

Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;

Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;

Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors 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 the financial statements 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.

Principal Activity

The principal activity of the company during the year was as designers and retailers of school uniforms.

Year 2000

The directors are aware of the Year 2000 problem and will take adequate measures to minimise any adverse impact that it may have on the company's operations. The directors do not believe that the problem will affect the going concern of the company barring any unforeseen external factors that are out of the company's control.

All expenses to deal with this issue will be written off to the profit and loss account apart from those expense of a capital nature which will be capitalised as fixed assets.

Directors and their Interests

The directors who served during the year and their beneficial interests in the share capital of the company were as follows:

	Ordinary sha	res of £1
	1998	1997
	No.	No.
J Parfitt - (resigned 15/5/98)	-	1
S M Smith	1	1
F C Shepherd - (appointed 12/6/98)	1	_

Directors' Report

for the year ended 30th November 1998

Auditors

The Auditors, Myrus Smith Chartered Accountants, have indicated that they are willing to be reappointed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

Exemption Statement

This directors' report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

Approved and signed on behalf of the Board

Times House Throwley Way, Sutton Surrey SM1 4AF

Registered Office of the Company

F C Shepherd Secretary

1st August 1999

Auditors' Report to the Shareholders

on the Financial Statements for the year ended 30th November 1998

We have audited the financial statements on pages 4 to 10, which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 6.

Respective responsibilities of the directors and auditors

As described on page 1 the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those statements and to report our opinion to you.

Basis of Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with 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 financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

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

Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 30th November 1998 and of its loss for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Times House Throwley Way Sutton Surrey SM1 4AF

5th August 1999

MYRUS SMITH Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditor

Myrus Smith

Profit and Loss Account

for the year ended 30th November 1998

	Notes	1998 £	1997 £
Turnover	2	391,251	412,439
Cost of sales		(222,596)	(208,214)
Gross profit		168,655	204,225
Administrative expenses		(158,099)	(124,154)
Operating profit	3	10,556	80,071
interest payable	5	(6,263)	(6,310)
Profit on ordinary activities before Taxation		4,293	73,761
Tax on profit on ordinary activities		(992)	(17,730)
Profit on ordinary activities after Taxation		3,301	56,031
Dividends		(40,975)	(40,777)
Retained (loss)/profit transferred (from)/to reserves		(37,674)	15,254
Retained profit brought forward		44,603	29,349
Retained profit carried forward		6,929	44,603

All amounts relate to continuing activities.

There have been no recognised gains or losses, other than the results for the financial year, and all profits or losses have been accounted for on an historical cost basis.

Balance Sheet

as at 30th November 1998

	Notes	1998	1998	1997	1997
Fixed Assets		£	£	£	£
Tangible Fixed Assets	6		25,298		42,864
Current Assets					
Stock		99,008		105,607	
Debtors	7	11,452	_	6,857	
Creditors:		110,460	_	112,464	
Amounts falling due within one year	8	(115,706)		(82,076)	
Net Current (Liabilities)/Assets			(5,246)		30,388
Total Assets less Current Liabilities		-	20,052	_	73,252
Creditors:	_				
Amounts falling due after one year	9	_	(13,121)	_	(28,647)
		=	6,931	=	44,605
Capital and Reserves					
Called up share capital	12		2		2
Profit and loss account			6,929		44,603
Equity Shareholders' Funds	13	_	6,931	-	44,605

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

Approved by the Board on 1st August 1999.

S M Smith Director

Signed on behalf of the Board

Notes to the Financial Statements

for the year ended 30th November 1998

1 Principal Accounting Policies

Accounting Convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Turnover

Turnover is the total amount receivable by the company for goods supplied and services provided, excluding VAT and trade discounts.

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated to write down the cost, less estimated residual value, of all tangible fixed assets over their expected useful lives. The rates generally applicable are:

Leasehold land and buildings Motor vehicles Furniture and equipment straight line over the period of the lease 25% reducing balance 25% reducing balance

Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Contribution to Pension Funds

The pension costs charged against profits represent the amount of the contributions payable to the scheme in respect of the accounting period.

Leased Assets

Assets held under finance leases and hire purchase contracts are capitalised in the Balance Sheet and depreciated over their expected useful lives. The interest element of leasing payments represents a constant proportion of the capital balance outstanding and is charged to the Profit and Loss Account over the period of the lease.

All other leases are regarded as operating leases and the payments made under them are charged to the Profit and Loss Account on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

2 Turnover

The turnover and operating profit for the year was derived from the company's principal activity and was carried out wholly in the UK.

Notes to the Financial Statements

for the year ended 30th November 1998

3	Operating Profit		
	The operating profit is stated after charging or crediting:		
		1998 £	1997 £
	Other operating lease rentals	16,753	17,690
	Auditors remuneration	1,400	2,236
	Depreciation - owned assets	2,251	3,002
	Depreciation - assets held under hire purchase or finance lease contracts	2,953	7,252
	Amortisation of intangible assets	2,421	2,463
	Loss on disposal of fixed assets	2,491	-
4	Directors	1998	1997
	Total remuneration	£ 7,057	£
5	Interest Payable	1998	1997
		£	£
	Bank loans and overdrafts	4,620	4,577
	Hire purchase & finance lease interest	1,643	1,733
		6,263	6,310

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for the year ended 30th November 1998

6	Tangible Fixed Assets			
		Leasehold Land and Buildings	Plant, Machinery and Other	Total
		£	Assets £	£
	Cost			
	At 1st December 1997 Disposals	19,690 -	55,803 (17,674)	75,493 (17,674)
	At 30th November 1998	19,690	38,129	57,819
	Depreciation At 1st December 1997 Charge for period	7,584 2,421	25,045 5,204	32,629 7,625
	Depreciation on disposals		(7,733)	(7,733)
	At 30th November 1998	10,005	22,516	32,521
	Net Book Value Owned assets Leased assets	9,685	6,753 8,860	6,753 18,545
	At 30th November 1998	9,685	15,613	25,298
	Owned assets Leased assets	12,106	9,004 21,754	9,004 33,860
	At 30th November 1997	12,106	30,758	42,864
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7	Debtors		1998 £	1997 £
	Trade debtors		5,017	1,821
	Other debtors		6,435	5,036
		=	11,452	6,857
8	Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year		1998 £	1997 £
	Bank loans and overdrafts		25,304	20,404
	Net obligations under hire purchase and finance lease contracts		6,186	5,180
	Trade creditors		41,394	31,010
	Other creditors		39,169	7,947
	Corporation tax		3,653	17,535
		,	115,706	82,076

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9	Creditors: Amounts falling due after one year	1998 £	1997 £
	Bank loans Net obligations under hire purchase and finance lease obligations	13,121 -	14,589 14,058
		13,121	28,647
10	Obligations Under Hire Purchase & Finance Leases	1998 £	1997 £
	Obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts are analyse	_	~
	Within one year Between one and two years	6,186	5,180 14,058
		6,186	19,238

Obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts are secured on the assets concerned.

11 Operating lease commitments

Financial commitments under non-cancellable operating leases will result in the following payments falling due in the next financial year:

		1998 Land and buildings £	1997 Land and buildings £
	Expiring:		
	Within two to five years	16,753	17,690
			
12	Share Capital		
	Authorised	1998	1997
		£	£
	1,000 Ordinary shares of £1 (1997: 1,000)	1,000	1,000
			
	Allotted and fully paid	1998	1997
	•	£	£
	2 Ordinary shares of £1 (1997: 2)	2	2

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13	Reconciliation of the Movement in Shareholders' Funds	1998 £	1997 £
	Profit for the financial year	3,301	56,031
	Dividends	(40,975)	(40,777)
	(Decrease)/Increase in shareholders' funds	(37,674)	15,254
	Opening shareholders' funds	44,605	29,351
	Closing shareholders' funds	6,931	44,605

14 Pensions - Money Purchase Scheme

The company operates a money purchase pension scheme for the benefit of the directors. The assets of the scheme are administered by trustees in a fund independent from those of the company.

The company contributed £2,932 (1997:nil) to the pension fund during the year.

15 Related Party Transactions

Details of related party transactions occurring during the year are as follows:

Name of related party	Nature of Relationship	Transaction Details	Amount	Balance 1998	Balance 1997
-	-		£	£	£
S M Smith	Director	Loan	-	(15,000)	(1,638)
F C Shepherd	Director	Loan	-	(15,000)	_

16 Controlling Party

The controlling party of the company is S M Smith and F C Shepherd.