REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended 31 July 1997



Trustees

C Mackay J Castell R Miller R Davidson F Newton C Ellis A Watt K Fervis

Report by the Trustees

The Trustees present their report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 July 1997

Principal Activity

The principal activity of the company is the provision of education for children from ages 4 to 18.

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

Company law requires the Trustees 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 profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

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

The Trustees 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 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.

Trustees

The Trustees during the year were as stated above.

K Morrison, G Gretton and J Canizares retired as Trustees with effect from 27 March 1997 and were replaced by R Davidson and K Farvis. The Trustees wish to record their thanks for their various contributions to the School.

In addition J Castell and C Ellis retire as Trustees by rotation. Jennifer Castell does not seek reelection and the Trustees thank her for her contribution to the school. C Ellis does, however, offer herself for re-election.

Auditors

A resolution proposing the re-appointment of Messrs Clunie & Scott, CA as auditors of the company will be proposed at the Annual General Meeting.

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By Order of the Board

Geoghegan & Co, CA

Company Secretary

6 St Colme Street Edinburgh

EH3 6AD

24 March 1998

Auditors' Report

We have audited the financial statements on pages 3 to 10 which have been prepared under the accounting policies set out on page 6.

Respective Responsibilities of Directors and Auditors

As described on page 1 the company's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of 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 Trustees 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 the information and explanations which we considered 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 or error or other irregularity. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of 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 31 July 1997 and of its surplus for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Clunie & Scott

Registered Auditors Chartered Accountants

24 March 1998

13 Alva Street Edinburgh EH2 4PH

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT for the year ended 31 July 1997

	Notes		1997	1996
Turnover - continuing operations	2		720,809	583,795
Staff costs Depreciation Other operating charges	3	486,219 9,690 205,850	701 750	438,528 8,236 138,509
			701,759 19,050	(1,478)
Operating (deficit) - continuing operations			17,050	(1,170)
Investment income received Gain on sale of investments		1,827		4,106 10,115
			1,827	14,221
Interest receivable less payable			742	(204)
Surplus for financial year	4		£21,619	£12,539

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES for the year ended 31 July 1997

	1997	1996
Profit for the financial year	21,619	12,539
Unrealised gain/(loss) on investments	2,236	(4,306)
Total recognised gains relating to the year	£ 23,855	£ 8,233

BALANCE SHEET as at 31 July 1997

	Notes		1997	1996
Tangible Fixed Assets	5		733,816	722,992
Investments	13		71,328	69,093
Current Assets Stock of books and materials Debtors Cash on deposit and on hand	1 6	3,649 143,518 60,755		4,286 80,047 46,197
		207,922		130,530
Less: Creditors - Amounts falling due within one year Creditors Loans - secured	7 8	147,655 3,790		88,183 1,680
		151,445		89,863
Net Current Assets			56,477	40,667
			861,621	832,752
Creditors - Amounts falling due after more than one year Loans - secured Loans - unsecured Debentures	8 9 10	17,058 23,000 355	40,413	9,072 25,972 355 35,399
Net Assets			£821,208	£797,353
Capital and Reserves Capital donated by Members Debenture redemption reserve Revenue account Bursary fund reserve Parents group reserve A P reserve	12 13 14 15		39 355 687,130 110,244 6,440 17,000 £821,208	39 355 686,105 103,181 7,673 £797,353

The accounts were approved by the Board on 24 March 1998 and are signed on their behalf:

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J Castell Director

24 March 1998

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

1 Accounting Policies

The accounts are prepared under the historical cost convention.

Depreciation is provided on fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset on the reducing balance method over its expected useful life as follows:

Heritable property 1% Equipment and fittings 25%

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

2	Turnover	1997	1996
	Fees and charges billed less direct charges Assisted places Donations Christmas market	460,997 215,810 31,461 6,686	385,881 180,709 1,618 5,175
	Deeds of covenant	72	3,000
	Rents received	5,783	2,936 4,476
	Income tax repayment		4,470
		£720,809	£583,795
3	Staff Costs	1997	1996
	XXV	445,564	403,706
	Wages and salaries Social security costs	32,481	29,073
	Pension scheme contributions	8,174	5,749
		£486,219	£438,528
	The average weekly number of employees during the year was 34 (1996:	34).	
4	Operating Surplus	1997	1996
	This is stated after charging:		
	Depreciation	9,690	8,236
	Auditors' remuneration	2,626	2,567

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (Continued)

5	Tangible Fixed Assets		Heritable Property	Equipment Piano & Furniture	Total
	Cost As at 1 August 1996 Additions during year		744,681 18,917	21,279 1,597	765,960 20,514
	As at 31 July 1997		763,598	22,876	786,474
	Depreciation As at 1 August 1996 Charge for year		24,572 8,570	18,396 1,120	42,968 9,690
	As at 31 July 1997		33,142	19,516	52,658
	Net Book Value As at 31 July 1997		£730,456	£ 3,360	£733,816
	As at 31 July 1996		£720,109	£ 2,883	£72 <u>2,992</u>
	The net book values of the	ne various properties as at 31 July 19	997 were as	follows:	
	12 Spylaw Road 14 Spylaw Road Portable classroom	Main BuildingPelham Moffat HallKindergarten			380,632 26,743 71,651 174,078 11,794
	43 Polwarth Terrace 74 Temple Park Crescen	t			47,306 18,252
	74 Temple Faik Crescen	ı			£730,456
6	Debtors			1997	1996
	Amounts due by parents Loans Other debtors			115,207 6,535 21,776	61,858 4,484 13,705
				£143,518	£ 80,047

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (Continued)

7	Creditors	1997	1996
	Bank overdraft Trade creditors and accruals Tax and social security costs Other creditors	13,135 122,620 9,275 2,625	2,416 50,194 8,843 26,730
		£147,655	£ 88,183

The Royal Bank of Scotland Plc holds a standard security over the property at 14 Spylaw Road.

8 Loans - Secured

As at 31 July 1997 loans amounting to £20,848 were secured over specific company heritable properties - of which £3,790 was repayable within twelve months.

9 Loans - Unsecured

The company has long term loans from the following which are repayable as may be mutually agreed:

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	1997	1990
Rudolf Steiner Educational Association - interest free	3,000	3,000
Individual Members - 10% interest per annum Individual Members - 3.6% interest per annum	20,000	3,000 19,972
	£ 23,000	£25,972

10 Debentures

The debentures are repayable at the option of the School or on such a date as may be mutually agreed. They are made up of £355 interest free debentures.

11 Pension Commitments

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme on behalf of certain of its employees. The scheme is administered by the Mercury Provident Pension Scheme. Contributions of £8,174 (1996: £5,749) have been made during the year.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (Continued)

12	Statement of Financial Activities	General Funds	Designated Fund	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 1997	Total Funds 1996
	Income and Expenditure Income Resources					
	Trading income	676,807	_	6,686	683,493	571,765
	Donations and gifts	31,533	_	•	31,533	9,094
	Investment income	, -	•	2,175	2,175	6,511
	Other income	5,783			5,783	2,936
	Total incoming resources	714,123	_	8,861	722,984	590,306
	Resources Expended					
	Direct charitable expenditure	627,442	-	8,267	635,709	527,421
	Fundraising and publicity	12,392	-	•	12,392	13,992
	Management and administration	53,264			53,264	46,469
	Total resources expended	693,098	-	8,267	701,365	587,882
	Net incoming resources before transfer	21,025	_	594	21,619	2,424
	Transfers	(20,000)	17,000	3,000		
		1,025	17,000	3,594	21,619	2,424
	Other Recognised Gains and Losses					
	Unrealised on investment assets	-	-	2,236	2,236	(4,306)
	Realised gain on investment assets					10,115
	Net movement in funds	1,025	17,000	5,830	23,855	8,233
	Opening fund balances	686,105	<u>-</u>	110,854	796,959	788,726
	Closing fund balances	£687,130	£ 17,000	£116,684	£820,814	£796,959
13	Bursary Fund					
	The make up of the Bursary Fund and its r	novement over	er the past ye	ear is detaile	i below:	
						103,181
	Fund as at 1 August 1996 Investment income received in year					1,827
	Interest from School	onta				2,236
	Unrealised gain on revaluation of investme Transfer from General School Funds	ciius				3,000
	Fund as at 31 July 1997					£ 110,244
	Represented by:					
	UK Investments (at market value)					71,328
	Funds held on deposit					2,350
	Funds held by School					36,566
						£ 110,244

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (Continued)

14 Parents Group Reserve

The Parents Group is an independent association which has no separate legal identity and whose aims are to support the school community. Their results are incorporated within these accounts and the Fund's movement during the year is detailed below:

Fund as at 1 August 1996 Surplus on Christmas market Bank interest Other income		7,673 6,493 348 193
		14,707
Approved allocations Sundry expenses	8,172 95	
		8,267
Fund as at 31 July 1997		£ 6,440
Represented by: Funds held on deposit		£ 6,440

15 Assisted Places Reserve

In recognition of the eventual termination in its present form of the Assisted Places Scheme, the Trustees have set up an AP Reserve Fund. During the year, a transfer of £17,000 was made to the Fund and it is hoped that annual transfers will be made in the coming years.

16 Capital Commitments

At 31 July 1997 the company had no capital commitments (1996: £nil).