

Company number: 2659703
Charity number: 1006726

Alderley Edge School for Girls

(A Charitable Company Limited by Guarantee)

REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
(CONSOLIDATED WITH AESG DEVELOPMENTS LIMITED)

For the year ended 31 August 2020

Alderley Edge School for Girls

For the year ended 31 August 2020

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SCHOOL INFORMATION

DIRECTORS, GOVERNORS & TRUSTEES

The present directors of the company, who are also charity trustees and school governors, and also any ex-directors who served during the year, are as follows:

Mrs A S Herring (Chairman)
Dr R Nolan
Mr E P R Ainsworth – retired 31st August 2019
Mr G Bryant
The Revd. Canon B Clover
Ms K Doyle
Mr K R Lowe (Vice Chairman)
Mrs C Lowe
Mrs J Rostron
Mrs T Pollard
Provincial Superior J Arrowsmith – resigned 11 December 2019
Mrs R Price – appointed 5 February 2020
Mrs D Summerfield
Mr C Trueman

BURSAR AND CLERK TO THE GOVERNORS

Mr S J Malkin

HEADMISTRESS

Mrs H Jeys

Mrs H Jeys resigned to take up a similar post in another school, with effect from 31 August 2020.

Mrs N Smillie has been appointed as Headmistress, with effect from 1 September 2020.

The Headmistress and Bursar are considered to be the School's key management personnel. Their remuneration is set annually by the Chair of Governors and Chair of the Finance Committee.

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SCHOOL INFORMATION *(continued)*

COMPANY NUMBER

2659703

CHARITY NUMBER

1006726

REGISTERED OFFICE AND PRINCIPAL OFFICE

Wilmslow Road
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SCHOOL INFORMATION *(continued)*

GOVERNING SUB COMMITTEES

Appeal Committee

Mrs A S Herring (Chairman)

Mr K R Lowe

Dr R Nolan

Curriculum Committee

Mrs T Pollard (Chairman)

Mrs A S Herring

Mrs C Lowe

Mrs J Rostron

Mr C Trueman

Finance and Premises Committee

Mr C Trueman (Chairman)

Mr G Bryant

Mrs A S Herring

Mr K R Lowe

Dr R Nolan

Marketing and Development Committee

Mr K R Lowe (Chairman)

Mrs J Rostron

Mrs D Summerfield

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GOVERNORS' REPORT and STRATEGIC REPORT

The governors have pleasure in presenting their annual report for the year ended 31 August 2020 under the Companies Act 2006 and the Charities Act 2011, together with the audited financial statements for the year, and confirm that the latter comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006, FRS102 and the Charities SORP 2015.

GOVERNORS' REPORT

REFERENCE & ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

The school is a registered charity and was incorporated in 1991 as a company limited by guarantee, with the liability of its members limited to £1 each.

The Registered Charity number is 1006726 and Company number is 2659703.

The principal address / registered office is stated on page 2.

Governors

The governors, who are also directors of the company and trustees of the charity, are listed on page 1.

Governors are appointed by the Board of Governors.

Key personnel and professional advisers

The key personnel and professional advisers of the School are listed on pages 1 & 2.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The School is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association, last amended on 7 July 2005.

Trustee training

New governors are introduced to the workings of the School, the Company and Charity at an induction meeting arranged by the Chairman of Governors, the Headmistress and the Bursar. Copies of appropriate documents are provided, as is on-going training for all governors.

Organisational management

The Governing Body meets at least three times each year, and determines the general policy of the school. The day to day management of the school is delegated to the Headmistress and the Bursar.

Group structure and relationships

The School has a wholly owned non-charitable trading company subsidiary, A.E.S.G. Developments Limited. This trading subsidiary runs the School Uniform shop, and its results are consolidated with those of the School.

Mount Carmel and St Hilary's Schools merged with effect from September 1999 and became Alderley Edge School for Girls. St Hilary's School was part of Woodard Schools (Midland Division) Limited and Mount Carmel was founded by The Sisters of St Joseph. The School's continued association with these two charitable organisations forms the basis of its ecumenical ethos.

The School is also an active member of the following:

I.S.C. The Independent Schools Council.

G.S.A. The Girls' School Association.

A.J.I.S. The Association of Junior Independent Schools.

I.S.A. The Independent Schools Association.

A.G.B.I.S. The Association of Governing Bodies of Independent Schools.

I.S.B.A. The Independent Schools' Bursars Association.

STRATEGIC REPORT

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The principal activity continued to be the operation of an independent day school for girls.

Aims of the School

We are an **academic** school, and we aim to ensure that every girl is a diligent and confident learner who achieves her full academic potential. Our broad, rich and balanced curriculum maximises opportunities for the girls to excel, with excellent teaching and high expectations in the classroom. Close monitoring and regular assessments, combined with knowing each girl as an individual, ensure that she is stretched, challenged and motivated to succeed. By providing a stimulating, challenging and exciting learning environment we aim to develop independent learners with inquiring minds, a thirst for knowledge and passion for lifelong learning.

We provide an **enrichment** programme which offers a huge range of opportunities for girls to achieve outside the classroom. Whether it be through sport, music, drama, public speaking, subject specific activities, Duke of Edinburgh or Community Service, girls can – and do – succeed. Girls develop important skills for life and become interested, aware and empathetic, showing a genuine concern for others and are keen to do all they can to make this a better world, both locally and globally.

We are proud of our Christian foundation which encourages girls to explore their **spirituality**, within a supportive, open and accepting environment. We are a Christian school and happily welcome others who share our values. We aim to ensure that all girls develop empathy for others and a strong moral compass based on Christian principles. Our supportive, pro-active pastoral care ensures that girls feel they belong to the school community and treat others with respect.

Our aim is to educate **girls** aged 2 to 18 within a positive, empowering environment which encourages them to think creatively, aim high and play an active part within the school community. We value the importance of an all-girls' education and all the benefits this brings them. There are numerous opportunities for girls to develop both team working and leadership skills and to help guide the school and their peers forward. In this way they learn important life skills which prepare them for the world of work and they leave us as impressive young women who make a difference.

Objectives for the year

This year has seen us build on the recent academic successes of the School and sustain our high academic expectations of all our pupils so that they achieve their potential. Mentoring opportunities and focusing on a variety of teaching and learning strategies have enabled staff to build on such academic success. For instance, for the second year running, the School has achieved results which have placed it in the top 5% of schools nationally for progress between the ages of 16 and 18. Focus on retrieval techniques in order to enhance revision skills and the development of strategies which focus on key characteristics so important for learning, such as resilience and collaboration, have seen the School develop a learner profile for full implementation from September 2020. Our commitment to providing a holistic education continues with the focus on academic success but, also, the individual happiness and nurturing of each individual child so that they feel valued within our School community. Furthermore, we continue to build on our alumnae links and welcome past members of our community into school regularly to talk to current pupils about their careers. We are delighted that such links have grown over recent years, particularly since this year marks the 21st Birthday of the School.

The School continues to excel in sport across all ages and we have enjoyed considerable success in cross country, netball and hockey in particular. We aim to cater for pupils' interests outside the classroom as far as possible and this year has seen new sporting clubs such as basketball as well as the development of those already existing, including trampolining, climbing and badminton.

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The School continues to support local and national charities and sustains its commitment as far as possible, to providing bursaries so that sufficiently able pupils are able to join the school when their families do not have the financial means to fund their place. We have also started our first capital fundraising project this year which has focused on refurbishing both Junior and Senior libraries. Not only does this project aim to reflect the high value we place on reading but we also aim to provide a modern space in which pupils can work, research and further their love of learning.

Our examination results continue to improve and our value added is a very impressive aspect of our school success. For A level, our results in the summer 2020 examinations despite the current pandemic and its impact on teaching and learning, continued to reflect the successes of previous years, with 35% of our pupils achieving a clean sweep of at least 3 A grades and 72% of grades at A*-B, a well-deserved achievement that reflects their commitment and dedication to their studies over the two years. For GCSE examinations, almost 57% of grades awarded are at the very highest grades of 7-9 and over 99% of all grades were at grade 4 or above and virtually 18% of grades at the highest grade 9. The School is very proud of its exam cohorts, in the character shown when they were unable to take their final examinations in the way they would have wanted after working so hard. We know that they will all go on to achieve success in their future.

FINANCIAL REVIEW AND RESULTS FOR THE YEAR

The group's net outgoing resources for the year amounted to £124,077 (2019 net outgoing: £78,591).

Pupil numbers declined in the 2019-20 academic year, and the resulting decrease in income led to a review of expenditure in a number of operational areas, including staffing, all of which contributed to the net outgoings result for the year. The combination of multiple years of net outgoings has had a detrimental impact upon reserves, but further steps are being taken in 2020-21 to address the net outgoings.

The School has invested just under £110,000 in fixed assets in the year and this, in conjunction with a reduction of just under £150,000 in creditor balances and an increase of just over £160,000 in debtor balances from the previous year end, as well as continuing loan repayments, has led to cash flow pressures and reduced cash balances held. The repayment of the School's long-term loan, scheduled for October 2020, will, however, have a positive impact on future cash flows.

The group results for the year are detailed on page 13.

The School had no fundraising activities requiring disclosure under s162A of the Charities Act 2011.

Expenditure for the year includes £26,734 paid under a settlement agreement to a member of staff.

Details of the School's funds and an analysis of the School's net assets between the funds are given in note 12.

Restricted funds of £110,081 are held for use on capital projects, increasing the Bursary Fund and other small projects designated by the donor, and a further £80,000 is held re capital items provided by Woodard Schools (Midland Division) Limited, at the time of merger.

Endowed Funds of £29,945 were previously held by St Hilary's School before its merger with Mount Carmel School and the subsequent formation of Alderley Edge School for Girls. The permitted use of the income from these funds is in accordance with the wishes of the original donors, being mainly the awarding of prizes and bursaries.

Designated funds of £550,000 are to be used for the significant improvement of the sports facilities.

The remaining unrestricted funds of £5,634,671 are required to cover the working capital of the School and to maintain the buildings to the high standards expected of a School of this standing.

The Governors continue to monitor the level of the various categories of funds in order to ensure that they are adequate to meet the charitable objectives of the School. Free reserves (calculated as unrestricted reserves less fixed assets) are £(88,379), (2019: £(41,810)). Free reserves totalling £250,000 are considered to be a suitable target by the Governors.

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GOVERNORS' REPORT and STRATEGIC REPORT (*continued*)

However, cash reserves are £629,645 (2019: £934,491). Governors have therefore agreed to place on hold the planned further development of sports facilities on the site, until cash balances have improved. Governors would wish to retain a cash reserve of £1 million, in order to meet any potential future liabilities and to continue to operate efficiently. Governors will continue to monitor both the level of these reserves and the amount deemed sufficient on an annual basis.

FUTURE PLANS

The main objective for the future remains the maintaining of the high standard of education offered at the School.

In order to assist with this main objective, significant investment has been made in the facilities provided, including major upgrading of sports facilities, over the last two years. A period of consolidation, but whilst still retaining refurbishment projects undertaken during the School summer holiday period, will now be undertaken.

The School will also welcome a new Headmistress, Nicola Smillie, who will join the School on 1st September 2020.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

Alderley Edge School for Girls is committed to the aim of providing public benefit, and the trustees have considered the Charity Commission's published guidance on public benefit.

The School arranges and takes part in many activities that provide benefit to the local community. These activities range from making School facilities available to other local Schools, to pupils visiting local care homes, to inviting local residents to attend pupil music and drama performances. The full list of these activities is recorded in a register maintained by the School.

Scholarships and bursaries are offered at the discretion of the Governing Body, based on academic excellence, means testing for Bursary awards, and on the ongoing ability of the School to fund these awards.

The School awards means tested bursaries to pupils who would not otherwise be able to afford the school fees. The systems used to evaluate the means testing are reviewed continually and will continue to be developed as necessary.

During the year, the School awarded bursaries, scholarships and discounts totalling £654,656 (2019: £557,196). This figure includes means tested bursary awards.

RISK MANAGEMENT

The Governing Body has ultimate responsibility for managing risk faced by the School.

The Governors continue to examine the principal areas of the school's operation and consider the major risks identified in each of these areas. The risk management process identifies risks, assesses their impact and likelihood and, where necessary, recommends controls to mitigate and monitor those risks that are assessed as high.

In the opinion of the Governors, the school has established resources and review systems which, under normal conditions, should allow these risks to be managed to an acceptable level in its day to day operations.

Principal risks and uncertainties

The Governing Body had considered the economic uncertainty and the ongoing recession to be the most significant cause for concern. However, the global coronavirus pandemic, commencing early in 2020 has supplanted that. Schools were closed, nationally, in March 2020 and only re-opened in the 2019-20 academic year, for certain year groups only, and for children of key workers. Lessons for pupils continued via online provision using a range of software and allowed the original daily timetable to continue on a virtual basis.

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GOVERNORS' REPORT and STRATEGIC REPORT (*continued*)

The School provided 80% rebates on summer fees for nursery and pre-school fees and provided rebates to other pupils based upon savings identified from the reduced operational levels of the School during this period (including the furloughing of some support staff). Fee increases for the 2020-21 academic year were also delayed until January 2021. The pandemic, its impact on the economy, as well as other factors, led governors to anticipate a reduction in pupil roll, and subsequent level of fee income in the 2020-21 academic year.

However, fee income was largely protected in the 2019-20 academic year. Governors met in March 20 to consider the appropriateness of going concern as the basis of preparation of these and future financial statements. Governors prepared and examined a number of possible scenarios that consider our cash position, sources of income and planned expenditure. This includes the impact of coronavirus on operations, together with assumptions around recovery thereafter. These scenarios consider reduced pupil numbers, delayed fee payments, reduced fees and potential bad debts, as well as the impact on costs from the measures taken so far. Sensitivity around these assumptions has also been considered in our forecasting. Performance against the budget for 20-21 and the impact on the 2021-22 budget were also considered. The results of this scenario planning and analysis indicate that the cash reserves of the School are adequate to meet its ongoing obligations as they fall due and the governors believe it appropriate to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing these financial statements.

Health and Safety in all Schools is always a significant area for risk management. The risks range from buildings and infrastructure risk through to personal risk. The level and breadth of activities within the School is enormous and the risks associated with all activities are minimised through planning and risk assessment.

STATEMENT AS TO DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO AUDITORS

The directors at the time when this Director's report is approved have confirmed that:

- so far as the directors are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditors are unaware, and
- they have taken all the steps that ought to have been taken as a director in order to be aware of any information needed by the company's auditors in connection with preparing their report and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information.

AUDITORS

Crowe U.K. LLP has expressed its willingness to be reappointed as statutory auditor.

This report, which incorporates the Strategic Report, was approved by the Board of Governors on 26 May 2021:

S J Malkin

S J Malkin
Secretary

P.P. Mrs AS Herring
Chair of Governors

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Cheshire
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STATEMENT OF GOVERNORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The governors are responsible for preparing the Governors' Report & Strategic Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the governors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the governors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards) and applicable law.

Under company law the governors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and the group and of the profit or loss of the group for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the governors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The governors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company and group's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and group and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and group and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.



Mrs AS Herring
Chair of Governors

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SK9 7QE

Approved by the Board of Governors on 26 May 2021.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE GOVERNORS'

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Alderley Edge School for Girls for the year ended 31 August 2020 which comprise the Consolidated and School Statement of Financial Activities, the Consolidated and School Balance Sheets and the Consolidated Cash Flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the group's and the charitable company's affairs as at 31 August 2020 and of the group's income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charitable company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

- the governors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the governors have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the charitable company's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE GOVERNORS' FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

Other information

The governors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion based on the work undertaken in the course of our audit

- the information given in the Annual Report of the Governors and Strategic Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Annual Report of the Governors and Strategic Report have been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In light of the knowledge and understanding of the company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Annual Report of the Governors and Strategic Report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the parent charitable company has not kept adequate accounting records; or
- the parent charitable company financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE GOVERNORS'

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

Responsibilities of governors

As explained more fully in the governors' responsibilities statement set out on page 9, the governors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the governors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the governors are responsible for assessing the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists.

Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's 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 charitable company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed

Vicky Szulist

Senior Statutory Auditor

For and on behalf of

Crowe U.K. LLP

Statutory Auditor

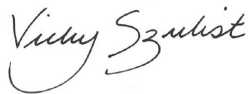
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27th May 2021



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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(INCORPORATING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
for the year ended 31 August 2020

	Note	Restricted Funds £	Endowed Funds £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
INCOMING RESOURCES						
Charitable activities						
School fees	1b	-	-	5,030,682	5,030,682	5,184,097
Other ancillary income	1c	-	-	29,565	29,565	75,907
Other trading activities						
Activities for generating funds	1a	39,402	-	72,287	111,689	135,661
Other activities	1d	-	-	129,739	129,739	45,871
Government grant income		-	-	71,507	71,507	-
Investments						
Investment income	6	-	-	3,149	3,149	4,673
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		39,402	-	5,336,929	5,376,331	5,446,209
EXPENDITURE						
Raising funds						
Trading costs of the subsidiary	3	-	-	61,205	61,205	72,169
Fundraising costs	3	-	-	7,505	7,505	15,875
Financing costs	3	-	-	3,541	3,541	4,724
		-	-	72,251	72,251	92,768
Charitable activities – School operating costs						
Teaching costs		2,436	-	3,606,377	3,608,813	3,603,166
Welfare		-	-	373,117	373,117	440,748
Premises		-	-	558,747	558,747	523,207
Support and governance		-	-	887,480	887,480	864,911
		2,436	-	5,425,721	5,428,157	5,432,032
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		2,436	-	5,497,972	5,500,408	5,524,800
Fund Balances						
At 1 September 2019		153,114	29,647	6,346,011	6,528,772	6,607,363
Net Incoming Resources		36,966	-	(161,043)	(124,077)	
Transfers between Funds		-	298	(298)		
FUND BALANCES AT 31 AUGUST 2020		190,080	29,945	6,184,670	6,404,695	

The school has no recognised gains or losses other than its surplus for the year. All activities in the year are classed as continuing.

The notes on pages 22 to 40 form part of these accounts.

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COMPANY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(INCORPORATING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
for the year ended 31 August 2020

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INCOMING RESOURCES						
Charitable activities						
School fees	1b	-	-	5,030,683	5,030,683	5,184,097
Other ancillary income	1c	-	-	29,565	29,565	75,907
Other trading activities						
Activities for generating funds	1a	39,402	-	7,683	47,085	55,313
Other activities	1d	-	-	137,918	137,918	49,293
Government grant income		-	-	71,507	71,507	-
Investments						
Investment income	6	-	-	3,149	3,149	4,673
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		39,402	-	5,280,506	5,319,908	5,369,283
EXPENDITURE						
Raising funds						
Fundraising costs	3	-	-	7,505	7,505	15,875
Financing costs	3	-	-	3,541	3,541	4,724
		-	-	11,046	11,046	20,599
Charitable activities – School operating costs						
Teaching costs		2,436	-	3,606,377	3,608,813	3,603,166
Welfare		-	-	373,117	373,117	440,748
Premises		-	-	558,747	558,747	523,207
Support and governance		-	-	887,480	887,480	864,911
		2,436	-	5,425,721	5,428,157	5,432,032
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		2,436	-	5,436,767	5,439,203	5,452,631
Fund Balances						
At 1 September 2019						
		153,114	29,647	6,333,959	6,516,720	6,600,068
Net Incoming Resources						
Transfers between Funds						
		36,966	-	(156,262)	(119,296)	
		-	298	(298)		
FUND BALANCES AT 31 AUGUST 2020						
		190,080	29,945	6,177,400	6,397,425	

The school has no recognised gains or losses other than its net result for the year. All activities in the year are classed as continuing.

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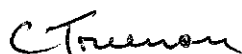
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

31 August 2020

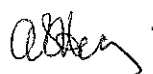
Company Registration No: 2659703

	Note	2020		2019	
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible fixed assets	7		6,273,050		6,421,556
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stock – Finished goods		48,999		53,307	
Debtors	9	380,532		219,072	
Cash at bank and in hand		629,645		934,491	
		<u>1,059,176</u>		<u>1,206,870</u>	
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	10	(927,531)		(1,099,654)	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			<u>131,645</u>		<u>107,216</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			<u>6,404,695</u>		<u>6,528,772</u>
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due after more than one year	11		(o)		(o)
TOTAL NET ASSETS			<u>6,404,695</u>		<u>6,528,772</u>
Unrestricted funds:					
• General funds	12a		5,634,670		5,796,011
• Designated funds	12b		550,000		550,000
Restricted funds	12c		190,080		153,114
Endowed funds	12d		29,945		29,647
			<u>6,404,695</u>		<u>6,528,772</u>

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Governors on 26th May 2021



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The notes on pages 22 to 40 form part of these accounts.

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COMPANY BALANCE SHEET

31 August 2020

Company Registration No: 2659703

	Note	2020		2019	
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible fixed assets	7		6,273,050		6,421,556
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	9	436,099		258,752	
Cash at bank and in hand		602,421		922,949	
Stocks		7,070		8,250	
		<u>1,045,590</u>		<u>1,189,951</u>	
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year					
	10	(921,215)		(1,094,787)	
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
			<u>124,375</u>		<u>95,164</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES					
			<u>6,397,425</u>		<u>6,516,720</u>
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due after more than one year					
	11		(0)		(0)
TOTAL NET ASSETS					
			<u><u>6,397,425</u></u>		<u><u>6,516,720</u></u>
Unrestricted funds:					
• General funds	12a		5,627,400		5,783,959
• Designated funds	12b		550,000		550,000
Restricted funds	12c		190,080		153,114
Endowed funds	12d		29,945		29,647
			<u>6,397,425</u>		<u>6,516,720</u>

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CONSOLIDATED CASHFLOW STATEMENT
for the year ended 31 August 2020

	Note	2020	2019
		£	£
NET CASH (OUTFLOW) FROM OPERATIONS	a	(175,448)	387,974
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Interest received		3,149	4,673
Interest paid		(608)	(1,915)
Payments to acquire tangible fixed assets		(108,570)	(395,311)
NET CASH USED BY INVESTING ACTIVITIES		(106,029)	(392,431)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Loan repayments made		(23,369)	(140,004)
CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS IN THE YEAR		(304,846)	(144,461)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT START OF THE PERIOD		934,491	1,078,952
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF THE PERIOD	b	629,645	934,491

a) Reconciliation of net (outgoing) resources to net cash outflow from operating activities:

	2020	2019
	£	£
Net (outgoing) resources	(124,077)	(78,591)
Depreciation	257,076	234,318
Interest receivable	(3,149)	(4,673)
Interest payable	608	1,793
Decrease in stock	4,308	(9,508)
(Increase) in debtors	(161,460)	9,796
(Decrease) in creditors	(148,754)	234,839
Net cash (outflow) from operating activities	(175,448)	387,974

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CONSOLIDATED CASHFLOW STATEMENT (CONTINUED)
for the year ended 31 August 2020

b) Analysis of changes in net cash resources

	2020	2019
	£	£
Cash at Bank	629,645	934,491
	<u>629,645</u>	<u>934,491</u>

The notes on pages 22 to 38 form part of these accounts.

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ACCOUNTING POLICIES

for the year ended 31 August 2020

BASIS OF PREPARATION

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102), the Companies Act 2006 and the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) - effective 1 January 2015.

The functional currency of the School is considered to be GBP because that is the currency of the primary economic environment in which the School operates.

The accounts are drawn up on the historical cost basis of accounting.

The School is a Public Benefit Entity registered as a charity in England and Wales and a company limited by guarantee. It was incorporated on 1st November 1991 (company number: 2659703) and registered as a charity on 6th December 1991 (charity number: 1006726). Details of the School's registered office can be found on page 2.

The School has been affected by the global coronavirus pandemic, but, as noted in the Strategic Report, steps were taken to mitigate the impact of this unexpected event. Overall the governors remain confident that the School has sufficient resources to continue as a going concern and consider that there were no material uncertainties over the School's financial viability.

BASIS OF CONSOLIDATION

The accounts have been consolidated on a line by line basis to include the School's wholly owned non-charitable trading company subsidiary, A.E.S.G. Developments Limited.

The School has taken advantage of the exemption available to a qualifying entity in FRS 102 from the requirement to present a charity only Cash Flow Statement with the consolidated financial statements.

DEPRECIATION

Depreciation is provided in order to write off each asset, less its estimated residual value, over their useful lives at the following rates:

Buildings	2%	straight line
Building improvements	2%	straight line
Plant and equipment	20%	straight line
Fixtures and fittings	20%	straight line
Computer equipment	20% - 33 ¹ / ₃ %	straight line

Capital items costing less than £250 are written off as an expense as acquired.

STOCKS

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

LEASES

Where assets are financed by leasing agreements that give rights approximating to ownership ("finance lease"), the assets are treated as if they had been purchased outright. The amount capitalised is the present value of the minimum lease payments payable during the lease term. The corresponding leasing commitments are shown as obligations to the lessor.

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Lease payments are treated as consisting of capital and interest elements, and the interest is charged to the profit and loss account in proportion to the remaining balance outstanding. All other leases are "operating leases" and the annual rentals are charged to profit and loss on a straight line basis over the term of the lease.

INCOME

Income from School Fees represents fees earned in respect of tuition given during the year. Fees received in respect of tuition to be given after the year end are included in creditors as fees received in advance. Fees receivable are stated after deducting bursaries and scholarships granted by the school.

Scholarships and bursaries are awarded at the discretion of the Governing Body, based on academic excellence in the case of Scholarship awards, and are means tested for Bursary awards.

Other income, including legacies and donations, is accounted for as and when entitlement arises, the amount can be reliably quantified and the economic benefit to the School is considered probable. Legacies received in the form of property are credited at the lower of probate and market value.

Income from government grants is recognised when there is entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the grants have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably. Where entitlements occurs before income is received, the income is accrued. Where income is received in advance of there being entitlement to the funds the income is deferred.

EXPENDITURE

Expenditure is accrued as soon as a liability is considered probable, discounted to present value for longer term liabilities. Costs of generating funds are those costs incurred in attracting voluntary income and those incurred in trading activities that raise funds. Charitable activities include expenditure associated with the objects of the School and include both direct costs and support costs relating to this activity. Governance costs include those incurred in the governance of the School and its assets and are primarily associated with constitutional and statutory requirements.

TAXATION

The School is an exempt charity and benefits by being exempt from corporation tax on income it receives from tuition fees, interest and rents.

The School is exempt from levying VAT on services it provides to pupils. For this reason the School is generally unable to recover input VAT it suffers on goods and services purchased, which is therefore included in the cost of these goods and services.

The subsidiary, AESG Developments Ltd, is registered for VAT and so has a different accounting policy, with VAT being accounted for separately.

SCHOOL TRIPS

The School collects monies in respect of trips and pays these monies out in full. As these funds do not represent income for the School, they are not accounted for in the Statement of Financial Activities.

PENSION SCHEME

The School contributes to the Teachers' Pension Defined Benefit 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 FRS 102 the Scheme is accounted for as a defined contribution scheme and contributions are accounted for when advised as due by the scheme Administrator.

The School also contributes to a group personal pension scheme for non-teaching staff. All non-teaching staff are eligible to take part.

This scheme is currently with Scottish Widows and is a defined contribution scheme.

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The School used contribute to the Pensions Trust Growth Plan for many of the non-teaching staff. This is in most respects a money purchase arrangement, but does include certain guaranteed benefit elements. The Plan is a multi-employer scheme as it is not possible in the normal course of events to identify the share of the underlying assets belonging to the individual participating employers and accordingly, in accordance with FRS 102, is accounted for as a defined contribution scheme with contributions being recorded as they become payable.

DONATIONS

Donations received for the general purposes of the school are credited to "other unrestricted funds". Donations subject to specific wishes of the donors are carried to relevant restricted funds.

FUND ACCOUNTING

The School has various types of funds for which it is responsible and which require separate disclosure. These are as follows:

Unrestricted funds	Funds which are expendable at the discretion of the Governors in furtherance of the objects of the School. In addition to expenditure on tuition, such funds may be held in order to finance capital investment and working capital.
Restricted funds	Donations or legacies received which are earmarked by the donor for specific purposes. Such purposes are within the overall aims of the School.
Designated funds	The School may at its discretion set aside funds for specific purposes which would otherwise form part of the general reserves of the School.
Endowment funds	Endowments funds are funds for which the Governors must maintain the capital element but the incoming resources derived from the underlying endowment fund assets can be spent.

INVESTMENTS

Investments in subsidiaries are valued at cost less provision for impairment.

FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at amortised cost with the exception of investments which are held at fair value. Financial assets held at amortised cost comprise cash at bank and in hand, together with trade and other debtors. A specific provision is made for debts for which recoverability is in doubt. Cash at bank and in hand is defined as all cash held in instant access bank accounts and used as working capital. Financial liabilities held at amortised cost comprise all creditors except social security and other taxes and provisions.

CRITICAL ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY

In the application of the accounting policies, Trustees are required to make judgement, estimates, and assumptions about the carrying value of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and underlying assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affected current and future periods.

In the view of the trustees, no assumptions concerning the future or estimation uncertainty affecting assets or liabilities at the balance sheet date are likely to result in a material adjustment to their carrying amounts in the next financial year.

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GOING CONCERN

The Directors have due regard for the going concern of the Charity. The School prepares a detailed budget for the 12 months ahead as well as more general longer-term financial projections. Actual performance is monitored termly and cash balances are monitored and reviewed daily.

At the time of approval of the financial statements, the COVID19 virus continues to develop and has been designated a global pandemic by the World Health Organisation. Both short-term and long-term effects of the rapidly changing situation are unknown but, as for many businesses at this time, the Directors consider that there is potential for significant and enduring impact on the School's demand for pupil places, supply chain and workforce availability.

The Directors have undertaken planning and forecasting and continue to closely monitor the developing situation. Further details on the School's response and plans for dealing with the COVID 19 virus are documented in the Directors Report on page 5 onwards. Despite the current circumstances the Directors believe that the school's financial resources and contingency planning is sufficient to ensure the ability of the School to continue as a going concern for the foreseeable future, being at least twelve months from the date of approval of these financial statements and therefore have prepared the financial statements on a going concern basis.

1a OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Consolidated		School	
	2020	2019	2020	2019
	£	£	£	£
Fundraising	42,298	51,258	42,298	51,258
Trading income	64,604	80,348	-	-
Hire of School premises	4,787	4,055	4,787	4,055
	<u>111,689</u>	<u>135,661</u>	<u>47,085</u>	<u>55,313</u>

The fundraising income includes £2,436 (2019 £11,507) donated from the Parents Association.

1b SCHOOL FEES

	2020	2019
	£	£
Fees receivable consist of:		
Gross fees	5,685,339	5,741,293
Less: Bursaries, grants and allowances	(654,656)	(557,196)
	<u>5,030,683</u>	<u>5,184,097</u>

Scholarships, bursaries and other awards were paid to 227 pupils (2019: 207). Within this means-tested bursaries totalling £309,095 were paid to 48 pupils (2019: £221,852 to 35 pupils).

There were no bursaries or allowances paid from restricted funds. Nursery grants of £51,670 (2019: £63,447) were received from the government and paid out to parents.

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1c OTHER ANCILLARY INCOME

	2020	2019
	£	£
Catering receipts	11,359	19,022
Other ancillary income	18,206	56,885
	<u>29,565</u>	<u>75,907</u>

Catering receipts are monies received from staff lunches and other ad hoc catering supplies to staff and pupils.

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2 RESOURCES EXPENDED

	2020 £	2019 £
Net outgoing resources are stated after charging:		
Charitable expenditure includes:		
Depreciation	257,076	234,318
Operating leases/rentals	10,200	10,000
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Governance costs include:		
Auditors' remuneration	9,472	11,934
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Staff costs comprise:		
Wages and salaries	3,152,844	3,210,743
Social security costs	302,775	310,913
Pension costs	538,533	412,257
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	3,994,151	3,933,913
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Aggregate employee – benefits of key management personnel	<u>208,878</u>	<u>194,725</u>

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2020 No	2019 No
Teaching staff	65	67
Premises and grounds	3	3
Administration	19	19
Other	33	30
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	120	119
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

The average numbers employed by the school during the year calculated on a full time equivalent basis was:

	2020 No	2019 No
Teaching staff	53	57
Premises and grounds	3	3
Administration	13	12
Other	19	19
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	88	91
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

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

	2020 No	2019 No
The number of employees whose income exceeded £60,000 was:		
£90,001 to £100,000	1	1
£80,001 to £90,000	0	0
£60,001 to £70,000	1	1

Included in the above higher paid employees was 1 employee (2019: 1) accruing pension benefits under a defined benefit scheme and 1 employee (2019: 1) accruing benefits under a money purchase pension scheme. The aggregate employer pension contributions for the year was £26,835 (2019: £19,178).

3 ANALYSIS OF TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED

	Staff Costs £	Other £	Depreciation £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
COSTS OF GENERATING FUNDS					
Trading costs of the subsidiary	7,083	54,122	-	61,205	72,169
Fundraising costs	-	7,505	-	7,505	15,875
Financing costs	-	3,541	-	3,541	4,724
	<u>7,083</u>	<u>65,168</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>72,251</u>	<u>92,768</u>
CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES – SCHOOL OPERATING COSTS					
Teaching costs	3,379,762	157,486	71,565	3,608,813	3,603,166
Welfare	36,247	333,407	3,463	373,117	440,748
Premises	103,496	293,969	161,282	558,747	523,207
Support and governance	467,563	399,151	20,766	887,480	864,911
	<u>3,987,068</u>	<u>1,184,013</u>	<u>257,076</u>	<u>5,428,157</u>	<u>5,432,032</u>
TOTAL	<u>3,994,151</u>	<u>1,249,181</u>	<u>257,076</u>	<u>5,500,408</u>	<u>5,524,800</u>

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Support and governance costs may be split as follows:

	2020	2019
	£	£
Staff Costs	467,563	427,455
Marketing	161,113	208,150
Recruitment and Training	35,755	28,845
Legal, Professional and other Fees	44,650	43,750
Depreciation	20,766	28,151
Stationery, postage and telephone	38,681	45,818
Insurances	31,466	30,881
Bad Debt Written Off	529	0
Computing Costs	4,652	4,195
Sundry other Costs	38,607	35,732
Audit and Accountancy	9,472	11,934
Headteacher Recruitment	<u>34,226</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL	<u>887,480</u>	<u>864,911</u>
4 FINANCING COSTS		
	2020	2019
	£	£
Interest on site purchase loan	608	1,915
Bank charges	2,933	2,809
	<u>3,541</u>	<u>4,724</u>
5 TAXATION		
As the school is a registered charity, no provision is required for corporation tax.		
6 INVESTMENT INCOME		
	2020	2019
	£	£
Bank interest receivable	<u>3,149</u>	<u>4,673</u>

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7 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Consolidated and School	Freehold land & buildings £	Plant and equipment £	Fixtures, fittings & computer equipment £	Total £
Cost				
As at 1 September 2019	7,540,462	335,243	1,323,513	9,199,218
Additions	26,959	44,439	37,172	108,570
Disposals	-	-	-	-
As at 31 August 2020	<u>7,567,421</u>	<u>379,682</u>	<u>1,360,685</u>	<u>9,307,788</u>
Depreciation				
As at 1 September 2019	1,415,529	286,284	1,075,849	2,772,662
Charge for the year	149,844	24,603	82,629	257,076
Charge on Disposals	-	-	-	-
As at 31 August 2020	<u>1,565,373</u>	<u>310,887</u>	<u>1,158,478</u>	<u>3,034,738</u>
Net Book Value				
As at 31 August 2020	<u>6,002,048</u>	<u>68,795</u>	<u>202,207</u>	<u>6,273,050</u>
As at 31 August 2019	<u>6,124,933</u>	<u>48,959</u>	<u>247,664</u>	<u>6,421,556</u>

8 AESG DEVELOPMENTS LIMITED

AESG Developments Limited is a wholly owned subsidiary of Alderley Edge School for Girls, and whose company number is 05213539. The company is registered in England. AESG Developments Limited runs the school uniform shop at Alderley Edge School for Girls.

Any taxable profit is transferred as gift aid to Alderley Edge School for Girls. Summaries of the trading results and balance sheet are shown below. Accounts will be filed with the Registrar of Companies.

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i) Profit and Loss account for the period to 31 August 2020

	2020 £	2019 £
Turnover	64,604	80,348
Cost of sales	(47,628)	(59,569)
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Gross profit	16,976	20,779
Administrative expenses	(13,577)	(12,600)
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Operating surplus	3,399	8,179
Gift aid payment to AESG	(8,179)	(3,422)
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Retained surplus	(4,780)	4,757
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ii) Balance Sheet at 31 August 2020

	2020 £	2019 £
Stock	41,931	45,057
Debtors	1,756	2,035
Bank and cash	27,224	11,542
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Net current assets	70,911	58,635
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Creditors	(63,639)	(46,583)
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Net current assets	7,272	12,052
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Net assets	7,272	12,052
	<hr/> <hr/>	<hr/> <hr/>
Share capital	1	1
Retained profits	7,271	12,051
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	7,272	12,052
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9 DEBTORS

	Consolidated		School	
	2020 £	2019 £	2020 £	2019 £
Fee debtors	264,377	146,499	262,621	144,463
Less: Bad debt provision	(27,147)	(39,859)	(27,147)	(39,859)
	<u>237,230</u>	<u>106,640</u>	<u>235,474</u>	<u>104,604</u>
Prepayments and accrued income	143,302	112,432	143,302	112,432
Amounts owed by AESG Developments Limited	-	-	57,323	41,716
	<u>380,532</u>	<u>219,072</u>	<u>436,099</u>	<u>258,752</u>

Amounts owed by AESG Developments Limited are repayable when cash surpluses allow, or on demand. Interest on the balance outstanding is charged at base rate.

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10 CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	Consolidated		School	
	2020	2019	2020	2019
	£	£	£	£
Trade Creditors	221,043	282,081	218,108	280,378
Accruals and deferred income	84,775	23,710	84,775	23,710
Other creditors	551,577	694,150	548,196	690,986
Other taxes and social security costs	70,136	76,467	70,136	76,467
Amount owed to The Sisters of St Joseph	0	23,246	0	23,246
	<u>927,531</u>	<u>1,099,654</u>	<u>921,215</u>	<u>1,094,787</u>

Deferred Income transactions are as follows:

	2020	2019
	£	£
Deferred Income as at 1 September 2019	8,129	18,240
Released from Prior Year	(8,129)	(18,240)
Deferred in the Year	<u>5,199</u>	<u>8,129</u>
Deferred Income as at 31 August 2020	<u>5,199</u>	<u>8,129</u>

Deferred Income comprises nursery grant income received in advance of the 2020-21 financial year to which it relates.

11 CREDITORS: Amounts falling due after more than one year

Consolidated and School

	2020	2019
	£	£
Amounts owed to The Sisters of St Joseph	0	0
Accrued interest on amounts owed to The Sisters of St Joseph	0	0
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Amounts due payable by instalments:	2020	2019
	£	£
In less than 1 year	-	23,246
Between 1 and 2 years	-	-
Between 2 to 5 years	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>23,246</u>

The amount owed to The Sisters of St Joseph was secured by a first legal charge over certain assets of the charity, however this has now been released and deeds returned to AESG.

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Amounts owed to The Sisters of St Joseph were repayable in monthly instalments commencing from November 2003 until October 2019. Interest on amounts outstanding has been charged at 1% pa below base rate, with a minimum of 3%, from November 2003.

12 ALLOCATION OF THE CHARITY NET ASSETS

Consolidated	Tangible Fixed Assets £	Net Current Assets £	Long term liabilities £	Total 2020 £
The net assets are held for the various funds as follows:				
Unrestricted funds (12a)	5,723,053	(88,382)	-	5,634,671
Designated funds (12b)	550,000	-	-	550,000
Restricted funds (12c)	-	190,081	-	190,081
Endowed funds (12d)	-	29,945	-	29,945
	<u>6,273,053</u>	<u>131,644</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,404,697</u>

School	Tangible Fixed Assets £	Net Current Assets £	Long term liabilities £	Total 2020 £
Unrestricted funds (12a)	5,723,052	(95,654)	-	5,627,398
Designated funds (12b)	550,000	-	-	550,000
Restricted funds (12c)	-	190,081	-	190,081
Endowed funds (12d)	-	29,945	-	29,945
	<u>6,273,052</u>	<u>124,372</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,397,424</u>

Consolidated	Tangible Fixed Assets £	Net Current Assets £	Long term liabilities £	Total 2019 £
The net assets are held for the various funds as follows:				
Unrestricted funds (12a)	5,871,556	(75,545)	-	5,796,011
Designated funds (12b)	550,000	-	-	550,000
Restricted funds (12c)	-	153,114	-	153,114
Endowed funds (12d)	-	29,647	-	29,647
	<u>6,421,556</u>	<u>107,216</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,528,772</u>

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12 ALLOCATION OF THE CHARITY NET ASSETS Continued

School	Tangible Fixed Assets	Net Current Assets £	Long term liabilities £	2019 Total £
Unrestricted funds (12a)				
	5,871,556	(87,597)	-	5,783,959
Designated funds (12b)	550,000	-	-	550,000
Restricted funds (12c)	-	153,114	-	153,114
Endowed funds (12d)	-	29,647	-	29,647
	<u>6,421,556</u>	<u>95,164</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,516,720</u>

12a UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

	Consolidated		School	
	2020 £	2019 £	2020 £	2019 £
Balance brought forward 1 September 2019	5,796,011	5,910,826	5,783,959	5,903,531
Net movement on fund	(161,043)	(114,513)	(156,261)	(119,270)
Transfer to endowed funds	(298)	(302)	(298)	(302)
Balance carried forward 31 August 2020	<u>5,634,670</u>	<u>5,796,011</u>	<u>5,627,400</u>	<u>5,783,959</u>

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12b DESIGNATED FUNDS

Consolidated and School	2020 £	2019 £
Balance brought forward 1 September 2019	550,000	550,000
Transfer to unrestricted funds	-	-
Transfer from unrestricted funds	-	-
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Balance carried forward 31 August 2020	550,000	550,000
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Funds were initially designated in 2018-19 for sports development and these are now carried forward into the 2019-20 financial year.

12c RESTRICTED FUNDS

Consolidated and School

	At 1 September 2019 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfer between funds £	At 31 August 2020 £
P A monies	-	2,436	(2,436)	-	-
Millennium appeal	10,344	-	-	-	10,344
Merger balances	9,404	-	-	-	9,404
Bursary Fund	19,632	-	-	-	19,632
Woodard Schools (Midland Division) Ltd	80,000	-	-	-	80,000
Library Development	33,734	36,966	-	-	70,700
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	153,114	39,402	(2,436)	-	190,080
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	At 1 September 2018 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfer between funds £	At 31 August 2019 £
P A monies	-	11,508	(11,508)	-	-
Millennium appeal	10,344	-	-	-	10,344
Merger balances	9,404	-	-	-	9,404
Bursary Fund	17,444	2,188	-	-	19,632
Woodard Schools (Midland Division) Ltd	80,000	-	-	-	80,000
		33,734	-	-	33,734
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	117,192	47,430	(11,508)	-	153,114
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The PA monies are amounts received from the Parents' Association and are for the general purpose of the School.

The Millennium appeal was a fund raising project to raise funds for major capital expenditure.

Woodard Schools (Midland Division) Limited arises from assets passed over to AESG at the time of the merger. Repayment is only required in the event of the winding up of the school.

The Bursary Fund aims to provide bursary assistance to families who cannot meet the full School fees.

12d ENDOWED FUNDS

Consolidated and School

At 1 September 2019 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfer between funds £	At 31 August 2020 £
29,647	-	-	298	29,945
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At 1 September 2018 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfer between funds £	At 31 August 2019 £
29,345	-	-	302	29,647
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These funds represent Endowed Funds previously held by St Hilary's School before its merger with Mount Carmel School and the subsequent formation of Alderley Edge School for Girls.

The permitted use of the income from these funds is in accordance with the wishes of the original donors, being mainly the awarding of prizes and bursaries.

13 OTHER OPERATING CHARGES

At 31 August 2020 the future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases were as follows:

	2020 £	2019 £
Within one year	18,687	18,687
Within two to five years	57,737	57,742
Over five years	663,863	663,863
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	740,286	740,292
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14 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

	2020	2019
	£	£
Financial assets measured at amortised cost (a)	924,996	979,940
Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost (b)	1,117,267	954,327
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Net financial assets measured at amortised cost	(192,272)	25,613
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The amount of stocks recognised in the SOFA is £47,628 (2019: £59,569)

(a) Financial assets include cash, fee debtors, other debtors and accrued income

(b) Financial liabilities include accruals, amounts due from The Sisters of St Joseph, trade creditors and other creditors

Impairment losses charged to financial assets measured at amortised cost in the year amounted to £1,161

Impairment losses arise from stocks and bad debts being written off.

Bad debts of £529 were written off during the year (2019 £Nil) as these were not deemed to be recoverable.

Stocks of £632, comprising items of School uniform, were written off during the year (2019 £Nil) as either damaged or out of date.

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15 PENSION SCHEMES

Teachers' Pensions

The School participates in the Teachers' Pension Scheme ("the TPS") for its teaching staff. The pension charge for the year includes contributions payable to the TPS of £492,741 (2019: £367,570) and at the year-end £Nil (2019 - £Nil) was accrued in respect of contributions to this scheme.

The TPS is an unfunded multi-employer defined benefits pension scheme governed by The Teachers' Pensions Regulations 2010 (as amended) and The Teachers' Pension Scheme Regulations 2014 (as amended). Members contribute on a "pay as you go" basis with contributions from members and the employer being credited to the Exchequer. Retirement and other pension benefits are paid by public funds provided by Parliament.

The employer contribution rate is set by the Secretary of State following scheme valuations undertaken by the Government Actuary's Department. The most recent actuarial valuation of the TPS was prepared as at 31 March 2016 and the Valuation Report, which was published in March 2019, confirmed that the employer contribution rate for the TPS would increase from 16.4% to 23.6% from 1 September 2019. Employers are also required to pay a scheme administration levy of 0.08% giving a total employer contribution rate of 23.68%.

The 31 March 2016 Valuation Report was prepared in accordance with the benefits set out in the scheme regulations and under the approach specified in the Directions, as they applied at 5 March 2019. However, the assumptions were considered and set by the Department for Education prior to the ruling in the 'McCloud/Sargeant case'. This case has required the courts to consider cases regarding the implementation of the 2015 reforms to Public Service Pensions including the Teachers' Pensions.

On 27 June 2019 the Supreme Court denied the government permission to appeal the Court of Appeal's judgment that transitional provisions introduced to the reformed pension schemes in 2015 gave rise to unlawful age discrimination. The government is respecting the Court's decision and has said it will engage fully with the Employment Tribunal as well as employer and member representatives to agree how the discriminations will be remedied.

The TPS is subject to a cost cap mechanism which was put in place to protect taxpayers against unforeseen changes in scheme costs. The Chief Secretary to the Treasury, having in 2018 announced that there would be a review of this cost cap mechanism, in January 2019 announced a pause to the cost cap mechanism following the Court of Appeal's ruling in the McCloud/Sargeant case and until there is certainty about the value of pensions to employees from April 2015 onwards.

In view of the above rulings and decisions the assumptions used in the 31 March 2016 Actuarial Valuation may become inappropriate. In this scenario, a valuation prepared in accordance with revised benefits and suitably revised assumptions would yield different results than those contained in the Actuarial Valuation.

Until a remedy to the discrimination conclusion has been determined by the Employment Tribunal it is not possible to conclude on any financial impact or future changes to the contribution rates of the TPS. Accordingly no provision for any additional past benefit pension costs is included in these financial statements.

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The Pensions Trust

Support staff employees of Alderley Edge School for Girls are entitled to membership of a pension scheme, providing they meet the Government's auto-enrolment criteria.

Until October 2018, the School was a member of The Pension Trust Pension Scheme. This is a multi-employer pension plan which in most respects is a money purchase arrangement, although it does include certain guarantee elements as described below.

Contributions paid into the Growth Plan up to and including September 2001 were converted to defined amounts of pension payable from normal retirement dates. From October 2001 contributions were invested in personal funds which have a capital guarantee and which are converted to pension on retirement, either within the Plan or by the purchase of an annuity.

The rules of the Plan give the Trustee the power to require employers to pay additional contributions in order to ensure that the statutory funding objective under the Pensions Act 2004 is met. The statutory funding objective is that a pension scheme should have sufficient assets to meet its past service liabilities, known as Technical Provisions.

The latest formal valuation of the Plan at 30 September 2017. The valuation revealed a shortfall of assets compared with the value of liabilities of £132 million (2014 valuation (177 million), equivalent to a funding level of 86% (2014 valuation 82%) on a Technical Provision valuation basis.

Following advice received from pension consultants, and after discussion with staff, the decision was taken to leave this Scheme. With effect from October 2018, the School established a new Group Personal Pension Scheme with Scottish Widows. Contributions to The Pensions Trust ceased from this point and commenced with Scottish Widows, although staff have the option of maintaining a pension with The Pension Trust or transferring their pension value to Scottish Widows.

Alderley Edge School for Girls paid contributions at the rate of 6% and totaling £45,835 (2019 £44,511) during the accounting period. Members paid contributions at a minimum rate of 3% during the accounting period. As at the balance sheet date there were 40 active members of the Scottish Widows scheme employed by Alderley Edge School for Girls.

Pension costs for both schemes are met from unrestricted funds.

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16 INSURANCE

During the year, the school purchased Governors and Bursars Insurance at a cost of £300 (2019: £300) and £Nil (2019: £ nil) respectively.

17 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Mount Carmel and St Hilary's Schools merged with effect from September 1999 and became Alderley Edge School for Girls. St Hilary's School was part of Woodard Schools (Midland Division) Limited and Mount Carmel was founded by The Sisters of St Joseph. Certain loans have been made to the merged School by these organisations to assist with the merger, as disclosed in notes 10, 11 and 12. These loans, as of October 2020, have been paid in full.

The Sisters of St Joseph nominate a governor to the Board – this is currently Mrs R. Price. Rent of £10,200 per annum is also paid to The Sisters for use of tennis courts at Ryleys Lane. Woodard Schools also nominate a governor to the Board – this is currently Rev. B. Clover.

18 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

A legal mortgage of £1m was entered into during the year ended 31 August 2001 in favour of Woodard Schools (Midland Division) Limited. This mortgage is only repayable in the event of the winding up of the School.

19 POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

On 20th March 2020, as instructed by the UK Government in response to the Covid-19 pandemic, the School closed its site to all pupils, except those of parents who are Key Workers. Following Government guidance, pupils in certain Year Groups were allowed to return to School from June 2020.

The School moved its educational provision online and commenced remote learning for those pupils not on the premises. Staff continued to provide education on site to those pupils attending School.

The School was able to reduce running costs by operating a reduced site. It also accessed the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme and furloughed some members of staff. In making these changes, the School was able to make estimated savings of approximately £80,000, which it intends to pass on to parents.

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20 CONSOLIDATED SOFA – COMPARATIVE FIGURES BY FUND TYPE

	Note	Restricted Funds £	Endowed Funds £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total 2019 £	Total 2018 £
INCOMING RESOURCES						
Charitable activities						
School fees	1b	-	-	5,184,097	5,184,097	5,037,132
Other ancillary income	1c	-	-	75,907	75,907	42,170
Other trading activities						
Activities for generating funds	1a	47,430	-	88,231	135,661	113,516
Other activities			-	45,871	45,871	32,619
Investments						
Investment income	6	-	-	4,673	4,673	5,124
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		47,430	-	5,398,779	5,446,209	5,230,561
EXPENDITURE						
Raising funds						
Trading costs of the subsidiary	8	-	-	72,169	72,169	78,193
Fundraising costs			-	15,875	15,875	14,836
Financing costs	4	-	-	4,724	4,724	9,507
	3	-	-	92,768	92,768	102,536
Charitable activities – School operating costs						
Teaching costs		11,508	-	3,591,658	3,603,166	3,632,642
Welfare		-	-	440,748	440,748	393,884
Premises		-	-	523,207	523,207	516,652
Support and governance		-	-	864,911	864,911	802,208
	3	11,508	-	5,420,524	5,432,032	5,345,386
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		11,508	-	5,513,292	5,524,800	5,447,922
NET INCOMING RESOURCES						
Transfers between funds		35,922	-	(114,513)	(78,591)	(217,361)
Fund balances		-	302	(302)	-	-
At 1 September 2018		117,192	29,345	6,460,826	6,607,363	6,824,724
FUND BALANCES AT 31 AUGUST 2019		153,114	29,647	6,346,011	6,528,772	6,607,363

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20 COMPANY SOFA – COMPARATIVE FIGURES BY FUND TYPE

	Note	Restricted Funds £	Endowed Funds £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total 2019 £	Total 2018 £
INCOMING RESOURCES						
Charitable activities						
School fees	1b	-	-	5,184,097	5,184,097	5,037,132
Other ancillary income	1c	-	-	75,907	75,907	42,170
Other trading activities						
Activities for generating funds	1a	47,430	-	7,883	55,313	31,901
Other activities		-	-	49,293	49,293	32,619
Investments						
Investment income	6	-	-	4,673	4,673	5,124
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		47,430	-	5,321,853	5,369,283	5,148,946
EXPENDITURE						
Raising funds						
Fundraising costs		-	-	15,875	15,875	14,836
Financing costs	4	-	-	4,724	4,724	9,507
	3	-	-	20,599	20,599	24,343
Charitable activities – School operating costs						
Teaching costs		11,508	-	3,591,658	3,603,166	3,632,642
Welfare		-	-	440,748	440,748	393,884
Premises		-	-	523,207	523,207	516,652
Support and governance		-	-	864,911	864,911	802,208
	3	11,508	-	5,420,524	5,432,032	5,345,386
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		11,508	-	5,441,123	5,452,631	5,369,729
NET INCOMING RESOURCES		35,922	-	(119,270)	(83,348)	(220,783)
Transfers between funds		2,188	302	(302)	-	-
At 1 September 2018		117,192	29,345	6,453,531	6,600,068	6,820,851
FUND BALANCES AT 31 AUGUST 2019		153,114	29,647	6,333,959	6,516,720	6,600,068