



DUMPTON SCHOOL WIMBORNE

Governors' Annual Report and Financial Statements For the year ending 31 July 2024

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The Governors of Dumpton School (the "School") present their annual report and audited accounts for the year ending 31 July 2024, incorporating their Directors' and Strategic Reports under the Companies Act 2006; and confirm they comply with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011, the School's Memorandum and Articles of Association and the SORP Accounting and Reporting by Charities (FRS102). Under the terms of the Articles of Association, the School is managed by a governing body (the "Governing Body") of not less than five and no more than twenty members ("Governors").

AIMS & OBJECTIVES

The School aims to educate children in a safe, supportive, caring environment, within a framework of Christian values, stressing the importance of teamwork, good manners and mutual respect at all times. We help pupils develop a clear sense of right and wrong, to become confident communicators and to appreciate the importance of family, integrity and ambition.

Given the excellent facilities and high staff to pupil ratio, the School is well placed to aim for high academic and extra-curricular standards. Our School motto 'You can because you think you can' is the cornerstone of teaching at Dumpton. All our pupils are expected and encouraged to fulfil their potential and we set appropriate expectations for each pupil both inside and outside the classroom. This approach results in success beyond the exam room and recognition by future schools through the significant number of scholarships being awarded each year.

Additionally, we aim to provide our staff with continual opportunities to develop to the benefit of both the School and themselves. We recognise the benefit derived from investing in people through training and development to improve efficiency and quality of service.

The School is also aware of its place in the local community and offers many opportunities to support local organisations (for example state schools, sports clubs and church youth groups) through the sharing of facilities and expertise at no (or minimal) cost.

Key objectives are:

- To continue to provide a warm, nurturing environment where every child's wellbeing and happiness is paramount
- To ensure each child is treated as an individual and appropriate guidance and support is always available to help them fulfil their academic and personal potential
- To ensure the School is a safe environment for children, staff and parents
- To ensure the highest standards of teaching in the classroom through outstanding staff professional development, monitoring, and by creating a culture of continuous improvement
- To ensure communication, both verbal and written, is of the highest standard between staff and parents
- To review continually the operating structures and facilities within the School to ensure that the education of the pupils remains first-class
- To provide continuing support where necessary for our pupils already in receipt of fee assistance through bursaries and maintain the provision of means-tested bursaries for new pupils
- To continue to develop our partnerships with local state schools, local sports clubs, youth groups and other children's organisations

In setting objectives, the Governors have also complied with the duty in section 17(5) of the 2011 Charities Act to have due regard to the general guidance published by the Charity Commission on public benefit and, in particular, to its supplementary public benefit guidance on advancing education and fee-charging.

ETHOS

Our main school rule 'Treat others as you would expect to be treated' underpins the moral code that is constantly modelled, taught and embraced here at Dumpton. This is a nurturing school, and we encourage

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pupils to develop kindness, empathy and emotional intelligence. In addition, the School motto *'You can because you think you can'* lies at the cornerstone of all we do: we do not set ceilings for our pupils, our staff or the School. We aim for pupils to develop their character here at Dumpton and hope to prepare them to face the challenge of senior school and adult life with ambition and self-belief. We summarise this ethos for our pupils with our two core values: Be Kind and Aim High.

We seek breadth of opportunity in an attempt to find the strengths of each child and then pursue excellence in all areas, both inside and outside the classroom. The wealth of academic, sporting, and creative opportunities is supplemented by a wide range of other activities. These may be on-site, for example using the allotments, science trail, campsite or prehistoric garden, or off-site, on one of the many educational visits undertaken at all levels in the School.

The School is a charitable company, which seeks to benefit the public through its stated aims and objectives. Our fees are set at a level to ensure the financial viability of the School while maintaining a first-class education for the pupils.

The School welcomes pupils from all backgrounds. To admit a prospective pupil, we need to be satisfied that the School will be able to educate and develop the pupil to their best potential and in line with the general standards achieved by existing pupils at the School. We are committed to complying with all equality legislation in our assessment procedures. We are an equal opportunity organisation and are committed to a working environment that is free from any form of discrimination on the grounds of the protected characteristics under equality legislation. We will make reasonable adjustments to meet the needs of staff or pupils who become disabled.

The School is committed to safeguarding and to promoting the welfare of our pupils and expects all staff to share this commitment. In the last Independent Schools' Inspectorate Report pastoral structures were deemed excellent.

STRATEGIC REPORT

Achievements and Performance

Academic

The school continues to excel academically with great success rate in Academic Scholarships awarded to senior schools, as well as end of year exam results.

Achievements in the past year included:

- Both Maths and English performance well above National Average. 95% of pupils across Year 1 – 8 are working at or above in English and Maths.
- 51% of pupils in the school are working above or well above National Average in Maths.
- 44% of pupils in school are working above or well above National Average in English.
- Five Academic Scholarships awarded to Canford; two Music scholarships awarded to Canford; two Canford Sports scholarship; five Bryanston Sports scholarships; One Bryanston Performing Arts scholarship; One Bryanston All-Rounder scholarship; One Clayesmore Sports scholarship and one Millfield Sports scholarship
- Two pupils qualified for final round of the Townsend-Warner History Prize, a National Prep school History competition.
- Six Gold certificates awarded in the Primary Maths Challenge. Four children qualified for the Bonus Round and one was awarded a Bronze award in the Bonus round.
- 83% of UKMT Junior Maths Challenge entrants earned a certificate: Four Golds awarded, Three qualified for the Junior Kangaroo Round. One pupil earned a Merit award, which is the highest award you can get on that paper.
- 215 Maths Competency certificates awarded for Year 3-6.

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- The school has once again been shortlisted for the Independent School of the Year Awards – Co-Educational School of the Year
- 95% of pupils offered a place at Canford following Pre-Test and HML day
- Year 8 group were Winners of the Canford Prep School Geography Quiz

Performing Arts

Performing Arts lessons are taught to every child throughout the school with Music and Dance specialists providing the curriculum in the Nursery and Pre-Prep and all Prep School pupils receiving specialist music and drama lessons each week. All children are involved in a production each year and last year's shows included a fully staged and produced performance of Mary Poppins Jr. by Year 6 and Year 7, 'The Wicked wizard of Oz' showcase from Year 8, as well as Christmas plays for Nursery to Year 3, a special WW2 themed performance from Year 3 for the parents' afternoon and a home-grown adaptation of Peter Pan for Year 4 and 5 which included arrangements of well-known folk songs, a choreographed fight dance and boat on stage!

We facilitate around 200 individual music lessons each week from a team of 10 peripatetic musicians and for those wanting to specialise their drama, 3 peripatetic LAMDA teachers offer group lessons to pupils from Year 4 and up, and after school 'Dramarama' clubs to Years 1 to 3. As well as an instrumental starter scheme for Year 2 pupils, our music staff offer a weekly ensemble schedule including Senior Choir, Symphony Orchestra, Woodwind group, Guitar Club, Junior and Senior String Groups and a Year 8 rock band. Our specialist dance teacher offers a Pre-Prep and Prep School ballet each week with plans to include specialist ballet classes, with all the formalities this traditional style involves, including technical clothing, dress standards and potential external examinations. Budding music, drama or performing arts scholars can enjoy a specialist session each week during 'Hobbies'.

Musical performances are offered each term for soloists and ensembles and many participate in weekly performing arts assemblies. The 'Spring Spectacular' offered musical and dramatic performances from every child in the Pre-Prep and Prep School and in the same term, our House Music Festival gave every child a chance to perform for their house as a soloist, alongside the House singing competition. The Summer term brought the inaugural pre prep country dancing tea, which allowed for the children to perform their traditional dances learnt in class, and then an invitation for parents to dance with their children. All of these successes were completed with a grand performance of 'Sing' from all 7 choirs in the school, including 200 singers. The Dumpton Symphony Orchestra opened the occasion playing two pieces as the school filed in.

Dumpton performers have also enjoyed a year of exam success with 100% pass rate in exams from ABRSM, Trinity, Rock school and LAMDA. A large proportion of these exams have been awarded either merits or distinctions. We also celebrated 2 music scholarships to Canford School and a Performing Arts scholarship to Bryanston.

Sport

The School's policy is to get as many children representing the School as possible, playing at a level that will build a love of sport, and exercise, and hence boost self-esteem. We try to be inclusive, recognising that children of all abilities need to be challenged appropriately to allow them to develop their full potential. We continue to maintain a full games and PE programme which includes sport every day. To achieve this, we have a department of 25 staff and arrange up to 25 fixtures a week, with Years 3 and 4 on Tuesdays and Years 5 to 8 on Wednesdays.

The fixture list we arrange for our teams is very challenging, including fixtures against many much bigger schools, and it is designed to help pupils learn both how to win and lose. We still feel it is appropriate to celebrate success when it is forthcoming, partly because it is so hard won. However, we will always put the level of performance above the final result. This has led to some very high-level sports teams and very high-level individuals:

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Football

- 1st VII IAPS National Finalists
- 1st VII Winners Moyles Court Tournament
- U11 A Boys Moyles Court Tournament Winners

Triathlon

- Some Year 3 to 6 pupils took part in Charity triathlon at Bryanston

Dodgeball

- U11 local festival

Cross Country

- Dorset Schools Cross Country Champs - many top ten finishes
- Milton Abbey Cross Country- several top five finishes

Hockey

- 1st VII boys National Finalists (Top ten finish)
- 1st VII girls Regional Finalists
- U11 Boys In2 hockey West Finalists
- U11 Boys County Champions
- U11 Girls In2 hockey West Finalists

Netball

- U13 girls county finalists
- U12 girls county finalists

Athletics

- Five athletes selected for National Finals.
- Female podium in Javelin

Cricket

- Several County cricket players

Skuba Diving

- New club/sport created

Swimming

- Four pupils achieved selection to the IAPS National Swimming Finals in London
- Year 5 and 6 team trophy Canford Swimming Gala

Sailing

- Two crews to IAPS sailing regatta in Portland

Outdoor Education

Outdoor Education has been included as part of the curriculum for all children in Year 3 to Year 6, as well as weekly Forest School sessions for Nursery through to Year 2.

There are residential camping and adventure trips with logical progression from Year 3 to Year 8, with Year 3 and Year 4 pupils all getting the chance to camp on the school ground overnight.

The orchard has been very fruitful and the gathering of the harvest and the pressing of fresh apple juice has become a popular yearly tradition with children and parents.

The allotments are productive and popular with children at lunchtimes and after school hobbies. We have successfully hatched our own Indian Runner Ducks. We now have a second healthy flock of 8 Dumpton ducks. Eggs have been sold at the gate to parents for charitable causes.

The outdoor learning spaces have been improved with the addition of oak benches and seating produced by a local company using a dead oak stump from the Dumpton grounds – in keeping with our ecological and local responsibilities. The seating under the Outdoor Education parachute shelter is the main teaching space for bushcraft skills and has been well used for staff and parent social events.

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Financial Review

Review of Financial Transactions and Position

The School reported an operating surplus for the year of £104,863 (2023: £4,233).

Total incoming resources were £4,459,507 (2023: 4,166,648) and resources expended were £4,354,644 (2023: £4,162,415), giving a total net surplus of £104,863 (2023: £4,233) and after the charge for depreciation of £256,264 (2023: £273,978). The total gross cost of employing staff, including both direct and indirect costs was 73% (2023: 73%) of resources expended. At the end of the year the net assets of the School were £7,205,421 (2023: £7,100,558).

The average number of pupils attending the School during the year was 281 (2023: 274), of which 197 (2023: 199) were preparatory and 84 (2023: 75) pre-preparatory, in addition to those attending the nursery whose numbers reached 60 at the end of the year.

Plans for Future Periods

In line with our objectives, we aim to develop the School's facilities and projects for the short term by:

- Refurbishing the Swimming Pool
- Developing the Outdoor Areas Provision

Further links with the wider community are also planned, including expanding activities with local state primary schools and sports clubs.

All significant developments in the School are made with reference to the School Development Plan, which is reviewed on a regular basis by the Governors, Headmaster, Bursar and Senior Management Team.

Principal Risks and Uncertainties

The Governors regularly review the major risks to which the School might be exposed and have established procedures to mitigate the risks identified.

The key risks are identified as:

- Political and economic risks
- Competitive landscape changes
- Operational expenditure exceeding fee income
- Inability to retain and recruit high quality staff, with an adverse impact on maintaining a high quality of education
- Loss of local profile and reputation
- Failure to maintain and develop the campus for future generations
- Failing to meet legal requirements for employment, health and safety and child protection
- Breaches of charity and company law
- Breakdown in financial controls
- Pandemic risks

The key controls used by the School to mitigate the risks identified include:

- Comprehensive strategic planning, budgeting and management reports
- Staff development and appraisal programme
- Robust recruitment process and competitive salaries
- Detailed appraisal of facility upgrades
- Formal agendas for Governors' and Sub-Committee meetings
- Established organisational structure and lines of reporting

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- Formal written Education, Safeguarding, Health & Safety and Financial policies with a regular review process to ensure compliance
- Annual reviews of the Risk Management Statement, Procurement Policy and Fraud Risk Assessment
- Clear authorisation and approval levels for expenditure

COMMUNITY LINKS

The School actively promotes its public benefit responsibilities to the community in a tangible way through supporting a range of community activities, which is in line with current legislation. We also aim to contribute towards the success of local charities through participation in their activities and offer the use of the School's facilities when reasonable requests are made. The School endeavours to be a 'good neighbour' through applying our well-developed environmental and community cohesion policies which commit us to taking all reasonable precautions to ensure that our activities have minimal adverse effects.

Examples of Community Links during 2023-24 include:

- Pupils visiting Streets Meadow Residential Home to perform informal concerts and harvest assembly
- Wimborne Aquarians, Summers' Pickleball, Walking Netball using sports' hall
- Wimborne Cricket Club using sports' hall and pitches
- Wimborne Food Bank collections from school children
- Global Citizenship Day included litter picking in Wimborne and tree-planting
- Venue for Dorset Netball meetings
- Local football academy using school astroturf weekly
- Witchampton First School using school minibuses
- School minibus loaned for Witchampton village fair
- Local Scout group using school minibuses
- School Sal's shoes collection
- Colehill and Hayeswood First Schools visit for pond-dipping workshop
- Hosted and ran Y4 Cricket Festival for 3 local primary schools
- Astroturf used by Wimborne Hockey Club when astro is unavailable
- Y8 pupils joined Wimborne Minster Council Meetings

Examples of Global Citizenship and other environmental initiatives include:

- Pupils engaged in a Hardship Challenge raising money for United World Schools (SDG 4 Quality Education)
- Global Citizenship school council group represent the views of each form and year group
- a dedicated team of Global Citizenship Ambassadors lead the way in planning initiatives to support the SDGs and Earthshot goals e.g. bake sales, assemblies to raise awareness, charity mufti days
- Global Citizenship Day involved all pupils at Dumpton reflecting on the school's sustainability and environmental future by collaborating to imagine our Bright New World and a future where our planet and its people are cared for sustainably
- Pupils worked for SDG 13 Climate Action, Protect & Restore Nature and Fix our Climate by planting a tree copse on local land as part of GC Day.
- Pupils worked towards SDG 11 Sustainable Cities & Communities by supporting the council to clean up recreation areas locally.
- Pupils supported Project Planet Earth, SDG 14 Life below Water, Revive our Oceans by completing beach cleans at Kimmeridge and Bournemouth and challenging the use of single-use plastic around Bournemouth beach.
- Pupils explored real sustainability issues like Amazonian deforestation, the social impacts of Fast Fashion and life in poverty for street children in Ghana through study and workshops surrounding Steve Cole's novels on World Book Day
- Teddy 20 fundraising to help provide emotional and financial support to children and young people suffering and undergoing treatment for Cancer. SDG 3 Good Health & Wellbeing
- Sal's Shoes - pupils raised money and donated shoes to help tackle SDG 1 No Poverty

- Pupils supported Margaret Green Animal Rescue to help give animals a safe, secure home with owners who need them. SDG 3 Good Health & Wellbeing,
- Dementia UK - £157.73 to support families living with dementia. SDG 3 Good Health & Wellbeing
- Cycle Out of Poverty, Africa - Hardship Challenge raised money to provide life-changing bicycles for communities in Uganda and Kenya who desperately need them. SDG1 No Poverty, SDG 3 Good Health & Wellbeing
- Great Ormond Street Hospital fundraising to help children in need of medical care. SDG 3 Good Health & Wellbeing
- Redcross fundraising for emergency support across the world and in Gaza. SDG 3 Good Health & Wellbeing, SDG 16 Peace & Justice Strong Institutions
- School continues to follow pupil led Planet Pledges and strategies to eliminate single-use plastic

RESERVES AND FEES POLICIES

Assistance with Fees Policy

The School has an Assistance with Fees Policy which recognises the need to widen access. This policy makes provision for assisted places, bursaries and scholarships and in addition offers discounts to families which have more than one child at the School. We generally advertise the availability of assistance with fees when we advertise in the local press. To help with financial planning for parents, a school fees plan is available to help those who wish to fund educational costs through monthly contributions.

Assisted Places and Bursaries

The Governors view the bursary and assisted places award schemes as important in helping to ensure that children from families who would otherwise not be able to afford fees can access the education we offer. Bursaries may be awarded for existing pupils where a change in parents' or guardians' circumstances has resulted in difficulty in meeting tuition fees, which might result in the child being withdrawn part way through a stage of education which would not be in the pupil's best interests. Assisted Places may be awarded where a new applicant to the School has been offered a place but parents or guardians are unable to fund the tuition fees.

In assessing means we take a number of factors into consideration, including family income, investments, savings and family circumstances, for example, dependant relatives and the number of siblings. However, the School does not have an endowment and in funding our awards we have to be mindful that we must ensure a balance between fee-paying parents, many of whom make considerable personal sacrifices in funding their child's education, and those benefiting from the awards.

Sibling Policy

To underline the value we place on continuity for families, we offer discounts when parents have more than one child in the School.

Scholarship Policy

From time-to-time we may award scholarships to recognise very high academic potential or excellence in extra-curricular activities. Where further assistance is required, scholarship awards may be supplemented by a means- tested bursary.

Assistance for our Teaching Staff

As part of our emphasis on attracting and retaining high-calibre staff, we offer a discount scheme when staff members choose to educate their children at the School.

Reserves Policy

The Governors' long-term aim is to establish sufficient free reserves to ensure continuity in the event of a large variation in income. The principal assets are the School premises. Surpluses on general funds have been applied towards the acquisition and development of land, buildings and equipment in order to improve the School's facilities.

The School's total reserves of £7,205,421 at the year-end include £6,298,918 of fixed assets which leaves available reserves of £906,503 to fund short-term operating costs, a increase of £199,782 compared to previous year.

The Governing Body continues to keep the financial resources under review to ensure that they remain adequate to cover the Company's working capital requirements. The Governors have agreed a target minimum level of cash reserve of £750,000. The Governors have been able to use the School's reserves to fund the development programme.

ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING RESPONSIBILITIES

The Governors, who are also directors of Dumpton School for the purpose of Company law are responsible for preparing the Annual Report incorporating the Strategic Report and Directors' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the Governors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the School and the incoming resources and application of resources including the income and expenditure of the charitable company for that period. In preparing these financial statements the Governors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and 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; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the School will continue in business.

The Governors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the School 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 School and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

In determining how amounts are presented within items in the financial statements, the Governors have had regard to the substance of the reported transaction or arrangement, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles or practice.

So far as each of the Governors is aware at the time the Report is approved:

- there is no relevant audit information of which the School's auditors are unaware; and
- the Governors have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditors are aware of that information.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Constitution

The School is a company limited by guarantee which was incorporated on 2 August 1968 and is registered with the Charity Commission. The governing document comprises the Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 2 August 1968 as amended by special resolution dated 16 October 1992, unanimous written resolution dated 13 August 2004 and unanimous written resolution dated 11 October 2010.

As the School is a company limited by guarantee, no Governor has any interest in the capital.

Appointment and Induction of Governors

Every Governor appointed (or re-elected) shall hold office for a period of three years unless or until he or she is removed before expiry of that period in any manner provided by the Articles of Association. At the expiry of a Governor's period of office, an outgoing Governor may, if willing, be eligible for reappointment unless otherwise disqualified from being a Governor. The Governing Body may fill a casual vacancy or appoint an additional Governor at any time.

Potential Governors are interviewed by the Chairman, two independent Governors and the Headmaster before appointment. New Governors are inducted into the workings of the Charity, including Board policy and procedures, by the Chairman, who arranges for the provision of an information pack which includes copies of the financial statements, minutes of Governors' meetings and the handbook published by the Association of Governing Bodies of Independent Schools. Neither the Governors nor persons connected with them received any remuneration or reimbursed travel expenses during the year except for H Cocke who received £421 travel expenses (2023: £592). The Governors' have undertaken an assessment of their compliance with the Charity Code of Governance.

The skills base of the Governing Body is regularly reviewed and this is taken into account when new Governors are sought. Where possible the Governors consider that the skills and experience of the Governing Body should comprise the following:

- legal experience
- financial/accounting experience
- educational experience
- senior management / business experience
- sales and marketing experience
- medical experience
- human resources experience
- surveying experience
- at least one male and one female
- all Governors are subject to an enhanced DBS check

Organisation Structure

The Governors determine the policies of the School which are carefully considered and regularly reviewed in full meetings of the Governing Body. They may delegate any of their powers to the Finance and General Purposes Committee, the Communications Committee and the Education and Safeguarding Committee. Otherwise, day to day management is delegated to the Headmaster and his senior management team. The Governors meet three times a year and the committees meet on a regular basis throughout the year.

The Governors consider that the Headmaster and Bursar comprise the key management personnel of the School in charge of directing and controlling, running and operating the School on a day-to-day basis. The remuneration of the key management is set by reference to key posts in the maintained and independent schools' sectors and is reviewed annually.

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Governors and Charity Trustees

H D Cocke (Chair) */***
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N L Hunter (Chair of ESC) ***
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This Annual Report including the Strategic Report was approved by the Governors on
and signed on its behalf by: 10 March 2025



H Cocke
Chairman of the Governing Body

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF DUMPTON SCHOOL

Company Number 936623 (England and Wales)

OPINION

We have audited the financial statements of Dumpton School (the charitable company) for the year ended 31 July 2024 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Income and Expenditure Account, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement, and the related notes, set out on pages 20 to 28, 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 charitable company's affairs as at 31 July 2024 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its 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 *Auditors' 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

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the Governors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Governors with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections in this report.

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TO THE MEMBERS OF DUMPTON SCHOOL - continued

OTHER INFORMATION

The Governors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Governors' Annual Report, other than the financial statements and our auditors' 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 course of 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 this gives rise to 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.

OPINIONS ON OTHER MATTERS PRESCRIBED BY THE COMPANIES ACT 2006

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

- the information given in the Governors' Annual Report (incorporating the directors' report and strategic report prepared for the purposes of company law) for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Governors' Annual report (incorporating the strategic report and the directors' report) has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

MATTERS ON WHICH WE ARE REQUIRED TO REPORT BY EXCEPTION

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

- adequate accounting records have not been kept or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of Governors' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE GOVERNORS

As explained more fully in the Governors' Responsibilities Statement, set out on page 8, the Governors (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) 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 they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE GOVERNORS (cont.)

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 Governors either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

AUDITORS' 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 auditors' 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. As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs (UK) we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud, is detailed below:

- we ensured that the audit engagement team collectively had the appropriate competence, capabilities, and skills to identify or recognise non-compliance with applicable laws and regulations and that they remained alert to instances of non-compliance throughout the audit;
- we identified the legal and regulatory requirements applicable to the charitable company, and obtained an understanding of how the charitable company complies with these requirements through discussions with management and Governors and from our commercial knowledge and experience of the sector;
- we assessed the susceptibility of the financial statements to material misstatement, including obtaining an understanding of how fraud might occur, by making enquiries of governors and management as to their policies and procedures on fraud risks, their assessment of the school's susceptibility to fraud, their knowledge of any actual, suspected and alleged fraud; and considering the internal controls put in place to mitigate risks of fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations;
- we addressed the risk of fraud through management bias and management override of controls by performing analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships, assessing whether judgements, estimates and assumptions made by management were indicative of potential bias and by investigating the rationale behind significant or unusual transactions. We also tested journal entries to identify unusual transactions;

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- in order to address the risk of irregularities and non-compliance with laws and regulations we carried out procedures which included review of minutes of Governors' meetings, review of financial statement disclosures, testing these to underlying documentation, enquiring of management as to actual and potential litigation and claims and instances of non-compliance, and review of correspondence with regulators and legal advisors;
- we obtained an understanding of the school's internal controls relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate to our audit objectives, but not for the purposes of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the school's internal control.

There are inherent limitations in our audit procedures described above. The more removed that laws and regulations are from financial transactions, the less likely it is that we would become aware of non-compliance. Auditing standards also limit the audit procedures required to identify non-compliance with laws and regulations to enquiry of the directors and other management and the inspection of regulatory and legal correspondence, if any.

Material misstatements that arise due to fraud can be harder to detect than those that arise from error as they may involve deliberate concealment or collusion.

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 auditors' 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 charity and the charity's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report or for the opinions we have formed.

Nicola Halls

Nicola Halls (Senior Statutory Auditor)
for and on behalf of Fletcher & Partners, Statutory Auditor

20th March 2025

Crown Chambers
Bridge Street
Salisbury SP1 2LZ

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024

	<u>Note</u>	Total <u>2024</u> £	Total <u>2023</u> £
INCOME FROM:			
Charitable activity - operation of the school			
Pupils fees	2	4,134,414	3,861,243
Pupils extras and disbursements recovered		57,231	78,638
Early Years Funding		126,603	103,487
School bus service		56,191	59,104
Holiday Activities		43,201	39,200
Lettings		10,580	7,855
Investment	3a	26,964	6,136
Other		4,323	10,985
TOTAL INCOME		<u>4,459,507</u>	<u>4,166,648</u>
EXPENDITURE ON:			
Charitable activities			
Costs of operation of the School	5/5a	4,354,644	4,162,415
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		<u>4,354,644</u>	<u>4,162,415</u>
NET INCOME FOR THE YEAR		£104,863	£4,233
FUND BALANCES AT 1 AUGUST 2023	12a	<u>7,100,558</u>	<u>7,096,325</u>
FUND BALANCES AT 31 JULY 2024	12a	<u>7,205,421</u>	<u>7,100,558</u>

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities

The notes on pages 20 to 28 form part of these financial statements

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
		£	£
TURNOVER			
Pupils fees	2	4,134,414	3,861,243
Early Years Funding		126,603	103,487
Pupils extras and disbursements recovered		<u>57,231</u>	<u>78,638</u>
		4,318,248	4,043,368
OTHER OPERATING INCOME			
School bus income		56,191	59,104
Interest receivable	3a	26,964	6,136
Lettings		10,580	7,855
Miscellaneous income		<u>47,524</u>	<u>50,185</u>
TOTAL INCOME		<u>4,459,507</u>	<u>4,166,648</u>
EXPENDITURE	4		
Consumables		304,399	297,467
Other external charges		716,535	646,538
Staff costs:-			
Salaries and wages		2,497,819	2,390,625
Social security costs		216,953	205,478
Other pension costs		<u>291,231</u>	<u>284,611</u>
		3,006,003	2,880,714
Depreciation and other amounts written off tangible fixed assets		256,527	274,723
Other operating charges		<u>71,180</u>	<u>62,973</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	5	<u>4,354,644</u>	<u>4,162,415</u>
GENERAL FUND			
SURPLUS	12a	<u>104,863</u>	<u>4,233</u>

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BALANCE SHEET

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024

Company Registration Number: 936623

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
		£	£
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible Assets	7	6,298,918	6,393,837
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	8	316,332	174,790
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>1,578,800</u>	<u>1,016,318</u>
		1,895,132	1,191,108
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	9	<u>(465,536)</u>	<u>(253,587)</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>1,429,596</u>	<u>937,521</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		7,728,514	7,331,358
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due after more than one year	10	<u>(523,093)</u>	<u>(230,800)</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS	12a	<u>7,205,421</u>	<u>7,100,558</u>
TOTAL GENERAL FUNDS	12a	<u>7,205,421</u>	<u>7,100,558</u>

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Governing Body on 10 March 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:



C Jarrold
 Chair of the Finance and General Purposes Committee.

The notes on pages 20 to 28 form part of these financial statements

CASH FLOW STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 JULY 2024

	Note	<u>2024</u>		<u>2023</u>	
		£	£	£	£
CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	A		710,251		362,696
CASH FLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES					
Investment income received		13,838		6,136	
Proceeds of sale of property, plant and equipment		6,500			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		<u>(168,107)</u>		<u>(403,617)</u>	
			(147,769)		(397,481)
CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	B, C		<u><u>£562,482</u></u>		<u><u>(£34,785)</u></u>

NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT

A. Reconciliation of net income/(expenditure) to net cash inflow from operating activities

Net income/(expenditure) for the reporting period	104,863	4,233
Depreciation	256,264	273,978
Interest from investments	(13,838)	(6,136)
Loss on sale of fixed assets	262	745
Decrease / (Increase) in debtors	(141,542)	27,305
Increase in creditors	504,242	62,571
Net cash provided by (used in) from operating activities	<u><u>£710,251</u></u>	<u><u>£362,696</u></u>

B. Reconciliation of net cash outflow to movements in cash and cash equivalents

Cash and Cash equivalents at 31 July 2023	1,016,318	1,051,103
Net cash inflow / (outflow)	<u>562,482</u>	<u>(34,785)</u>
Cash and Cash equivalents at 31 July 2024	<u><u>£1,578,800</u></u>	<u><u>£1,016,318</u></u>

C. Analysis of changes in net funds

	<u>01.08.23</u>	<u>Cash flow</u>	<u>31.07.24</u>
Cash and Cash equivalents	1,016,318	562,482	1,578,800
	<u><u>£1,016,318</u></u>	<u><u>£562,482</u></u>	<u><u>£1,578,800</u></u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS AT 31 JULY 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a. Basis of Accounting

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: 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) (issued in October 2019) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Companies Act 2006 and the Charities Act 2011.

The private company limited by guarantee is incorporated in England. The address of the registered office is Deans Grove House, Wimborne, Dorset, BH21 7AF. The accounts are presented in Sterling.

The School constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

The governors consider that there are no material uncertainties about the School's ability to continue as a going concern. This based on historical experience and other factors that are considered relevant, including future events, such as the imposition with effect from 1st January 2025 to introduce VAT on private school fees. The most significant area of future uncertainty is maintaining the level of pupil numbers. In the Governors' opinion there are no significant judgements that affect the reported amounts of assets.

b. Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In the application of the accounting policies, the Governors are required to make judgements, 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 governors, 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.

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the School's financial statements.

c. Fees and similar income

Income is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the item(s) of income have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably. Turnover mostly represents pupils' gross fees and extras, less bursaries, concession, assisted places and scholarships and is accounted for in the period in which the service is provided.

Amounts received under the School's Fees in Advance Agreements for education not yet utilised to settle school fees are recorded as deferred income and allocated as current liabilities where the education will be provided within 12 months from the reporting date and as long-term liabilities where the education will be provided in subsequent years.

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d. **Grants, Donations Other income**

Grants and Donations receivable for general purposes are credited to Unrestricted Income when entitlement arises the amount can be quantified and when receipt is probable. Donations for purposes restricted by the wishes of the donor are taken to Restricted Funds. Investment income represents bank interest receivable in the period.

e. **Expenditure**

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. Certain expenditure is directly attributable to specific activities and has been included in those cost categories. Other expenditure is apportioned across cost categories depending on an estimate of the time spent by staff on those activities. Support costs are the administrative costs incurred to enable the School to carry out the one charitable activity. The School is not registered for VAT and all costs include VAT where this has been charged.

Governance costs comprise the costs of audit, legal and professional advice and compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements. They include a proportion of the salaries of members of staff who are engaged in these activities, apportioned on the basis of time spent. They are included within support costs.

Tangible Fixed Assets

Expenditure on furniture, computers, plant and machinery and motor vehicles costing more than £2,000 is capitalised. Depreciation is provided on fixed assets at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its useful life.

The carrying value of fixed assets are reviewed for possible impairment annually, while all assets are reviewed whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value of those assets may not be recoverable. If assets are determined to be impaired, the carrying amounts of those assets are written down to their recoverable amount, being the higher of net realisable value and value in use. Impairment charges are reported within depreciation.

Assets under construction	Not depreciated until assets are brought into use.
Land and original buildings:	No depreciation.
At various rates from 2% to 10% per annum on historical cost.	
Astroturf sport pitch:	
Base, groundworks and related costs	4% per annum on costs.
Synthetic surface	14.29% per annum on costs.
Fencing and equipment	10% per annum on costs.
Other sports buildings and facilities:	At various rates averaging 8% per annum on costs.
Furniture and Fittings:	20% per annum on written down value.
Computers:	50% per annum on cost
Plant and machinery:	20% per annum on written down value.
Motor vehicles:	25% per annum on written down value.

No depreciation has been charged on freehold land and the original buildings as the Governors are of the opinion that their residual value is at least equal to book value.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS AT 31 JULY 2024 – continued

g. **Stocks**

The charity has no stocks as consumable stores are written off as purchased.

h. **Debtors**

Debtors are measured at the amounts the charity anticipates it will receive from a debt or the amount it has paid in advance for goods or services. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

i. **Cash at Bank and in hand**

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and cash on deposit.

j. **Creditors**

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

k. **Financial Instruments**

The School only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments such as trade and other debtors and creditors are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

l. **Fund Accounting**

Donations and bequests for specific purposes form separate funds, whose assets are separately identified, referred to as restricted funds.

m. **Leased Assets**

Rentals applicable to operating leases where substantially all of the benefits and risks of ownership remain with the lessor are charged against income as incurred.

n. **Pension Costs**

Teaching staff are eligible for membership of the Teachers' Pension Scheme, which is a national statutory contributory unfunded defined benefit scheme administered by the Teachers' Pension Agency, an executive agency of the Department for Education. Pension costs are assessed in accordance with the advice of the Government Actuary. The Scheme is a multi-employer scheme so the Company is unable to identify its share of the underlying assets and liabilities. Under FRS 102 the Company therefore accounts for the Scheme as if it were a defined contribution scheme.

The Company also contributes to a number of defined contribution pension schemes for those members of staff who are not eligible for or opt out of to the Teachers' Pension Scheme. The assets of these schemes are held separately from those of the Company, being invested with insurance companies.

Pension costs charged in the Statement of Financial Activities represent the contributions payable by the company in the year.

o. **Taxation**

No provision is required for Corporation Tax or Deferred Tax as the Company is a registered charity.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS AT 31 JULY 2024

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	£	£
2. SCHOOL FEES		
The Company's fee income comprised:		
Prep School	3,222,940	3,081,337
Pre-prep	738,526	648,758
Nursery	166,048	125,498
Registration fees	6,900	5,650
	<u>4,134,414</u>	<u>3,861,243</u>
3a. UK INVESTMENT INCOME		
Bank interest	<u>26,964</u>	<u>6,136</u>
4. EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activity expenditure includes:		
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	256,264	273,978
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	262	745
Auditors remuneration:		
Audit fees	10,680	11,200
Other services	780	560
Operating lease rentals	<u>4,288</u>	<u>4,288</u>
The Company has professional indemnity insurance for the Governors which cost £324 for the year (2023 - £324).		
Total staff costs comprised:		
Salaries	2,497,819	2,390,625
Social Security Costs	216,953	205,478
Pension Costs	291,231	284,611
	<u>3,006,003</u>	<u>2,880,714</u>

The average number of employees in the year was 97 (2023 - 95), of which 63 were teaching staff (2023 - 63)

The number of higher paid employees: £70,000 - £80,000	1	1
The number of higher paid employees: £80,000 - £90,000	1	1

The total costs of these two employees during the year was £203,916 (2023:194,652)

Pension contributions of £21,661 (2023: £13,547) were paid for the highest paid employee. In addition to the above payments, the School provides fee remission to teaching and some senior staff typical for the independent sector.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS AT 31 JULY 2024

4. EXPENDITURE CONTINUED

The executive management of the School is delegated by the Governors to the Head with financial management and administration in the hands of the Bursar which are considered to be the key management personnel of the School. The total cost of these two employees during the year was £203,916 (2023:£194,652)

5. ANALYSIS OF TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED 2024

	Staff Costs £	Other Costs £	Depreciation £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Charitable activity - operation of the school					
Direct costs:					
Teaching and welfare	2,635,919	397,159	44,288	3,077,366	2,958,683
Premises and facilities	79,167	460,981	210,181	750,329	705,461
Advertising, marketing and publicity	19,330	61,304	-	80,634	69,182
Total	2,734,416	919,444	254,469	3,908,329	3,733,326
Support costs:					
Support costs of schooling	261,814	150,346	1,795	413,955	396,950
Governance costs	9,772	22,588	-	32,360	32,139
Total	271,586	172,934	1,795	446,315	429,089
Total resources expended	3,006,002	1,092,378	256,264	4,354,644	4,162,415

5.a ANALYSIS OF TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED 2023

				2023 Total £	2022 Total £
Charitable activity - operation of the school					
Direct costs:					
Teaching and welfare	2,522,339	370,616	65,728	2,958,683	2,622,168
Premises and facilities	78,402	422,336	204,723	705,461	661,197
Advertising, marketing and publicity	13,724	55,458	-	69,182	44,729
Total	2,614,465	848,410	270,451	3,733,326	3,328,094
Support costs:					
Support costs of schooling	256,657	136,766	3,527	396,950	393,500
Governance costs	9,592	22,547	-	32,139	19,804
Total	266,249	159,313	3,527	429,089	413,304
Total resources expended	2,880,714	1,007,723	273,978	4,162,415	3,741,398

Support costs are the administrative costs incurred to enable the School to carry out the one charitable activity

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS AT 31 JULY 2024

6. GOVERNANCE COSTS

	£	£
Staff costs	9,772	9,592
Auditors' remuneration: for audit (inclusive of vat)	11,200	11,200
Legal and professional fees	11,388	11,347
	<u>32,360</u>	<u>32,139</u>

RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the year one Governor had children at the School and fees paid were in accordance with school policy. Neither the Governors nor persons connected with them received any remuneration or reimbursed travel expenses during the year except for one governor who received travel expenses of £421 (2023:£592, one governor).

7. FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold Land & Buildings £	Furniture & Equipment £	Plant & Machinery £	Motor Vehicles £	Computer & Software £	2024 TOTAL £
COST						
As at 1 August 2023	8,131,272	569,642	738,274	276,542	79,706	9,795,436
Additions	16,692	3,173	104,784	24,756	18,702	168,107
Disposals	(1,580)	(3,312)	(75,957)	(24,500)	(4,560)	(109,909)
As at 31 July 2024	<u>8,146,384</u>	<u>569,503</u>	<u>767,101</u>	<u>276,798</u>	<u>93,848</u>	<u>9,853,634</u>
DEPRECIATION						
As at 1 August 2023	2,060,545	479,403	555,441	241,563	64,646	3,401,599
Charge for the year	164,495	18,455	45,686	9,676	17,952	256,264
Written back on disposal	(1,580)	(3,162)	(69,737)	(24,107)	(4,561)	(103,147)
As at 31 July 2024	<u>2,223,460</u>	<u>494,696</u>	<u>531,390</u>	<u>227,132</u>	<u>78,037</u>	<u>3,554,716</u>
NET BOOK VALUE						
As at 1 August 2023	<u>6,070,727</u>	<u>90,239</u>	<u>182,833</u>	<u>34,979</u>	<u>15,060</u>	<u>6,393,837</u>
As at 31 July 2024	<u>5,922,924</u>	<u>74,807</u>	<u>235,711</u>	<u>49,666</u>	<u>15,811</u>	<u>6,298,918</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS AT 31 JULY 2024

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	£	£
8. DEBTORS		
Parents for fees and extras	170,318	105,977
Prepayments	114,169	62,578
Accrued income	26,577	3,781
Other debtors	5,268	2,454
	<u>316,332</u>	<u>174,790</u>
9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		
Pupils' fees received in advance	292,105	71,701
Deposits from parents	17,000	13,500
Trade creditors	46,941	37,710
Taxation and Social Security	59,139	60,439
Other creditors	5,971	32,816
Accruals	44,380	37,421
	<u>465,536</u>	<u>253,587</u>
10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR		
Deferred income - fees received in advance	402,843	111,550
Deposits from parents	120,250	119,250
	<u>523,093</u>	<u>230,800</u>
11. DEFERRED INCOME		
Pupils fees received in advance are scheduled to be applied as follows:		
Amounts falling due within one year	292,105	71,701
Amounts falling due after one year within 5 years	402,843	111,550
Total liability due at 31 July 2024	<u>694,948</u>	<u>183,251</u>
Movement on advance on fees		
Fees in advance brought forward at 1 August 2023	183,251	109,043
Amounts received for fees in advance in year	628,039	174,066
Amounts used in year against fees	(116,342)	(99,858)
Fees in advance carried forward at 31 July 2024	<u>694,948</u>	<u>183,251</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS AT 31 JULY 2024

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	£	£
12. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS	General	General
	Funds	Funds
Tangible fixed assets	6,298,918	6,393,837
Net current assets	1,429,596	937,521
Long term liabilities	(523,093)	(230,800)
	<u>7,205,421</u>	<u>7,100,558</u>
12(a) FUND MOVEMENT IN THE YEAR		
At 1 August 2023	7,100,558	7,096,325
Surplus on ordinary activities for the year	104,863	4,233
At 31 July 2024	<u>7,205,421</u>	<u>7,100,558</u>
13. GUARANTORS' LIABILITY		
In the event of the Company being wound up, the liability of each of the guarantors is limited to £1.		
14. COMMITMENTS		
a. Capital commitments		
At 31 July 2024, capital expenditure commitments were as follows:		
	<u>£NIL</u>	<u>£NIL</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS AT 31 JULY 2024 - continued

b. Pension Schemes

The School participates in one defined benefit scheme and three defined contribution schemes.

i. Defined Benefit Scheme

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 £84,061 (2023: £95,435) and at the year-end £0 (2023 - £0) 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 2020 and the Valuation Report, which was published in October 2023.

Following the McCloud judgement, the remedy proposed that when benefits become payable, eligible members can select to receive them from either the reformed or legacy schemes for the period 1 April 2015 to 31 March 2022. The actuaries have assumed that members are likely to choose the option that provides them with the greater benefits, and in preparing the 2020 valuation have valued the 'greater value' benefits for groups of relevant members.

The employer contribution rate for the TPS is 28.6% and employers are also required to pay a scheme administration levy of 0.08% giving a total employer contribution rate of 28.68%.

ii. Defined Contribution Pension Schemes

The School contributes to three defined contribution schemes on behalf of teaching and support employees. From the 1 September 2021 the teaching staff were all eligible to join the Dumpton School Teachers Pension Scheme (DSTPS) that is a defined contribution scheme with Legal and General.

During the year to 31 July 2024 the pension cost charge for teaching amounted to £177,428 (2023- £161,318) and for support staff £29,743 (2023 - £27,858). Contributions totalling £0 (2023 - £0) were payable to the schemes at the year-end 31 July 2024.

c. Lease Commitments – Operating Leases

At 31 July 2024, the total of future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases, in respect of equipment, was as follows:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Amounts due within one year	5,553	5,112
Amounts due between two and five years	<u>15,000</u>	<u>20,280</u>
	<u>20,553</u>	<u>25,392</u>

The amounts charges as an expense during the year for operating leases were £5,553 (2023 - £4,288).