



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date Period end date
 From 01 09 2019 To 31 08 2020

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name Friends of Victoria School

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) 512758

Charity's principal address Victoria School and Specialist Arts College
 Bell Hill , Northfield
 Birmingham
Postcode B31 1LD

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Mrs C Lane	Treasurer		
2	Mrs Sadie Bolton	Chairperson		
3	Ms Sara Mathewson	Secretary		
4	Ms S Kallitsakis			
5	Mrs Julie Fardell	President	Left 31 st August 2021	
6	Ms Judi Newman			
7	Mrs Pamela Sole			
8	Mr Mark Cottam			
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Bank	Lloyds	798 Bristol Road South, Northfield, Birmingham, B31 2NP
Independent Examiner	P&W Social Accountants	10 Newent Road, Northfield, Birmingham, B31 2ED

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document	Constitution adopted 25 th November 1998
How the charity is constituted	Association
Trustee selection methods	Trustees are appointed annually at the Annual General meeting in November

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

<p>You may choose to include additional information, where relevant, about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees; • the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works; • relationship with any related parties; • trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them. 	<p>Each trustee has to sign the code of conduct to ensure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •the organisation is effective, open and accountable; •the highest standards of integrity and stewardship are achieved; •the working relationship with staff and advisers is productive and supportive. <p>The organisation is a member of the Parent Teachers Association UK. (Parentkind)</p> <p>All trustees give their time voluntary and receive no remuneration or other benefits.</p>
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Section C Objectives and activities

<p>Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To advance the education of the pupils at school by providing and assisting in the provision of facilities for education at the school not normally provided by the LEA. 2. To promote the children with disabilities at school and in the interests of social welfare and in order to improve their conditions of life to provide recreational facilities for such children.
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3. To foster more extended relationships between staff, parents, carers and others associated with the school.
4. To engage in activities, which support the school and advance the education and promote the relief of children with disabilities attending it.

In planning our activities for the year we kept in mind the Charity Commission guidance on public benefits at our trustee meetings.

The committee meets to plan fundraising events, lobby on parent and carers behalf's and to discuss school bids for funding.

We approach other charities for money for projects to benefit the pupils in school.

We endeavour to ensure that all pupils whatever their age, benefit from the work of Friends of Victoria School.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

A great contribution is made by member volunteers. We are grateful for the many hours volunteers spend fundraising on our behalf. Without this valuable contribution of time, energy and expertise we would not have been able to have achieve so much.

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Unfortunately our fundraising activities have been curbed this year due to the continuation of the Covid – 19 pandemic. We have therefore been even more grateful for funds received from the TLC Lottery and from Your School Lottery. We have also received donations from many families and individuals. We continue to look for ways of raising money in new ways.

Autumn Term 2020

Volunteers were able to create a slightly cut down grotto to give some semblance of normality to the school's Christmas activities.

Our other activities this term were based around Christmas. Santa and 2 of his elves visited school one morning to welcome the children off the buses in a COVID safe way and accompanied by Christmas music. He then delivered class presents to all the classes around school.

Friends also funded crackers, balloons and hats for the Christmas Dinner.

Spring and Summer Term 2021

Our normal fundraising activities were not able to take place.

However, the work on refurbishing the Lower school bathroom did take place and the youngest children now have a facility which is fit for purpose and offers the dignity for personal care they deserve.

The work on the Musical Trails for 14-19 department also took place in the summer holidays 2021 and the pupils are now enjoying using this facility.

A new kiln has also been installed along with other equipment for working with clay.

Unfortunately the work on the family Centre is still delayed, we are very frustrated by this and are really hoping to see some progress in the coming year.

Friends of Victoria made two donations to other charities Birmingham Phab Camps and Parks for Play – this was in memory of a pupil. Money had been raised and matched by Benevity and was divided equally between ourselves and the other 2 charities.

We would like to thank the following Charities for supporting us this year:

Chris Westwood Charity

Saintbury Trust

Hedley Foundation

Philip Bates Trust

Boshier- Hinton Foundation

Boperan Trust

W Dudley Trust

True Colours

Brotherton Trust

Mercer Family Charity

Bernard Piggott Trust

Dunbreck Charity

Grimmitt Trust

Michael Marsh Trust

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Of the cash we hold at the bank, £2000 is retained to meet unforeseen expenditure.

We also hold money in Reserves at this time of year for expenditure on Christmas activities.

At our AGM we will give some considerations to projects for the coming year.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Not applicable

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You may choose to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Fundraising comprises school activities e.g. summer fair and donations from other charities.

We also run a small weekly lottery through Your School Lottery.

Funds are used to provide equipment and other benefits for the pupils and projects undertaken by others on behalf of the pupils.

Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	Judith R. Newman	J. Parth.
Full name(s)	Judith R. Newman	JADIE L BRITON
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee	TRUSTEE.
Date	17/11/2021	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
Friends of Victoria School

On accounts for the year
ended

31/08/2021

Charity no
(if any)

512758

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **20/08/2020**.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent
examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Date:

17/11/2021

Name:

R B Welch FCA MA

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

ICAEW

Address: P&W Social Accountants

10 Newent Road

Birmingham B31 2ED

Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

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