# THE RINGWOOD WALDORF SCHOOL COMPANY NUMBER: 08645246

REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

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## TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

## Introduction

The Trustees present their final report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2020.

The legal and administrative information set out on below forms part of this report. The financial statements comply with current statutory requirements, the Memorandum and Articles of Association, the requirements of the Charities Act 2011, the Charities SORP (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

# Reference and administrative details

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 9 August 2013 and registered as a charity on 25 September 2014.

The company was established under a Memorandum of Association, which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its articles of association.

Registered Company Number
Registered Charity Number

08645246 1158673

Principal / registered address

Ringwood Waldorf School, Folly Farm Lane, Ashley,

Ringwood, Hampshire, BH24 2NN

Directors / Trustees during the year

and to date:

E Wilman

T Lister (resigned 4 February 2020)

P Constantine A Walker

S Wilson-Devane

R Jukes

O Lieberman (resigned 1 June 2020)

Bankers

Triodos Bank, Deanery Road, Bristol, BS1 5AS

Auditors

Knight Goodhead Limited

7 Bournemouth Road, Chandler's Ford, Eastleigh,

Hampshire, S053 3DA

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## Structure Governance and Management

## **Governing Document**

The charity operates under a Memorandum and Articles of Association.

## Appointment, retirement and training of the Trustees

There are currently five active trustees. We welcome additional suitable trustees to join. Interested parties are welcome to contact us by email to find out more about becoming a trustee.

The Trustees retire by rotation after three years of service but may offer themselves for reappointment at the annual meeting of the members of the association.

### Members

We invite all parents and guardians of pupils in the school to become members of the charity. Membership is also open to other individuals connected to the school. The members will be consulted as appropriate on matters related to the school and will be invited to the school's annual general meeting. The trustees welcome views and ideas from members for the wellbeing of the school.

# Governance of the Charity

The trustees have specific roles underpinned by the requirements of the Charity Commission and the school's Articles of Association. The Department for Education also holds the Board accountable for some areas of school operation. The board has overall accountability for governance, operation, finance, and each trustee is assigned responsibilities based on her/his skills and experience.

The responsibility for day to day management of the school sits with the School Management Team whose members are made up entirely of staff. The School Management Team is led by an elected chair. Their areas of responsibility cover operation, curriculum, recruitment, finance, safeguarding, health and safety and communication.

## Students and Parent Council

The students of the whole school are the major stakeholders and all the activities are carried out in their interest and for their benefit. There are currently around 200 students but the school has capacity for more. Every effort will be made to increase the total number of students at the school. The student council is formed by the students with membership from the middle and upper school. They play a key role in making the schools offering relevant to the needs of our students. We also have an active Parents Council who meets on a regular basis and who discusses and gives advice on a broad range of issues that are relevant for the operation and governance of the school.

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## Parents and Community Group

The community group is run by the parents. It is responsible for organising events and raising funds for the school. Their work is essential both in terms of supporting the school and creating a close and caring community.

The trustees would like to express their gratitude for the essential work that is carried out by the Community Group.

The school is fortunate to benefit from a very supportive, dedicated and committed group of parents who often give their time and lend skills to further enhance the school. They help the school in many areas including maintenance, gardening, cleaning and fundraising. Equally important they are creating a viable and caring school community and their work is very much appreciated, as without their involvement the school would not be the same.

## Risk management

The Trustees have given consideration to the major risks to which the charity is exposed, as set out in these reports, and are satisfied that systems and procedures are in place to manage those risks or a that action is being taken to establish such systems and procedures.

# Objects of the charity

## Our objective

The charitable aim of the school is the advancement of education for the public benefit. Our objective is to offer a broad and balanced curriculum for children up to 18 years of age, according to the principles of Dr Rudolf Steiner (1861-1925). We endeavour to support those connected with the school to flourish, be more fulfilled and to become more socially aware.

### Our vision

We aim to provide an educational environment where each student can develop and fulfil his or her potential, building their self-confidence and instilling a desire to contribute to the wider community. In so doing, we prepare our students for the opportunities, responsibilities and experiences of later life.

Dynamic and responsive to the needs of our community, we are focused on becoming a centre of excellence for Steiner Waldorf Education in the UK.

### Backaround

In May 2015, Ringwood Waldorf School devolved from The Sheiling Trust and became an independent charity. Today the school provides Steiner Waldorf Education to approximately 200 pupils supported by a parent and child group, and is a full-member of the Steiner Waldorf Schools Fellowship in the UK.

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The history of the school goes back to 1974 when Christine Polyblank founded the school with just 6 pupils, providing Steiner Waldorf education. Situated on the Dorset/Hampshire border, close to the river Avon and the New Forest, the school enjoys purpose built facilities for teaching and recreation and a separate kindergarten for younger children.

The social practices of the school are based on the 'Three-fold Social Order' as developed by Rudolf Steiner. The Three-fold Social Order recognises and distinguishes between cultural, legal and economic realms of society and describes relationships between them. This also underpins the educational aims and the management practices in the school.

## Public benefit

As an independent school, Ringwood Waldorf School is totally reliant for income on parental contributions, donations and the proceeds of fundraising activities. The parental contributions are received as gifts to the whole community for the benefit of all to enable the education of the children and, over time, to meet the agreed Community Development Goals. An important part of the school's philosophy is that, where possible, the education should be open to, and affordable for all applying families that demonstrate a connection to and understanding of the education.

## Achievements and performance

#### Covid-19 crisis

in March 2020 we were confronted with the Covid-19 crisis, overshadowing most of the rest of the year and is still ongoing. The most direct impact for the school is that almost all our visiting students returned home as soon as the full impact of the Covid-19 crisis became apparent. We also experienced a drop in our income because not all parents were able to fully pay their school contributions as they originally had committed at the start of the academic year.

We did take immediate actions to remedy the expected decrease in income. As soon as the Government allowed, we put almost all our staff on furlough and we have continued to make use of this furlough scheme through the course of the crisis.

The salary costs for staff is by far the biggest cost for the school and therefore the possibility to make use of the Government funded furloughing scheme has had a material impact on mitigating the drop in income. So much so, that the total income from the furlough scheme outweighed the drop in income. As a consequence we have ended the academic year 2019 - 2020 with a healthy financial surplus which will provide us with a welcome financial buffer for the academic year 2020 - 2021.

At the time of writing this Trustee report (February 2021) we are well into our second lockdown and have a better understanding of the financial impacts of the origing Covid-19 crises. During this second lockdown we have hardly made use of the option to furlough staff since the demands on the school are significant higher compared to the first lockdown. Both on-line education as well as providing for students who need to come to the school in person, require almost all staff to continue to work. As expected, the visiting students can not come to the school and as a consequence we don't receive the income related to our visiting students. Based on these exceptional and unfortunate

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circumstances, the trustees have approved a budget for the academic year 2020 – 2021 allowing a deficit of approximately £30,000 for the year. Based on the positive financial result of 2019 – 2020 and our cash position, we believe this is an acceptable and prudent decision. Based on our January 2021 financial management accounts, i.e. 5 months into the new academic year and well into the second lockdown, we are happy to be able to report that although income has indeed been impacted by the Covid-19 crises, we are actually running at a small surplus and so far the financial impacts seems to be less severe than budgeted for.

## Ofsted inspection

The most recent inspection of the school by Ofsted took place on 2-4 April 2019. The outcome of this inspection was that the school has performed 'good' on all the aspects of the inspection and as such has Ofsted concluded that RWS is a good school. The inspection report highlights the elements where the school is performing well and where progress has been made compared to earlier inspections. It also provides areas for improvement, which we of course will pay attention to. The full Ofsted inspection report is available on our website.

## **Future Plans**

Our future plans have been paused because of the Covid-19 crises, but in the long run have not changed. Once we are out of the Covid-19 crises, we will continue to work on strengthening the financial situation of the school while at the same time further developing the curriculum, facilities and quality of our education. We believe that in order to be able to develop the full potential of our school it is essential that we bring the number of students back to the level of around 250 students. This is not an unrealistic number since we have been able to reach this number in the past, without having a class 11 and 12 at that time.

Next to all the important things we are already doing in the school on a day to day basis, the trustees will give special attention to the following five key priorities:

- Increase the income of the school in order to ensure that we have a healthy (small surplus) financial situation:
  - Bring the total number of students back to 250
  - b. Ensure we have 4 thriving kindergartens, with in total at least 60 pupils, securing a new class 1 of at least 20 children each year
- 2. Establish and implement a clear management, governance and organisational structure for RWS
- 3. Further develop the quality of all staff and hence our education by strengthening our HR and performance management
- Be compliance with applicable regulations and guidelines and be always 'inspection ready

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### Financial review

For the financial year ended 31 August 2020 the charity made a surplus of £131,003 (2019: £107,465). Funds at 31 August 2020 total £3,324,873 (2019: £3,193,870) of which £3,027,896 relate to designated funds (mainly represented by property), with £12,437 relating to restricted funds. General funds total £284,540 (2019: £162,905).

# Reserves Policy

The school has implemented an updated financial reserves policy. In order to be able to pay the short-term liabilities (less than 3 months) a minimum amount of cash has to be available at any moment in time of at least three month costs. Over the years we have been running on a costs basis of between £850,000 and £950,000 per year. Based on these historic numbers a minimum amount of at least £225,000 should always be available in cash on the schools cash accounts.

We are happy to report that on 31 August 2020 the cash at bank and in hand stood at £317,290 and as such we comply with our reserves policy. The trustees continue to keep this under close review.

# Statement of responsibilities of the trustees

The trustees are responsible for preparing the annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (UK GAAP).

The trustees are required to prepare the annual report and financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure, for the period. In preparing those financial statements the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and which enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act\_2006. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

So far as the trustees are aware, there is no relevant audit information (information needed by the company's auditors in connection with preparing their report) of which the company's auditors are

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unaware. Each trustee has taken all the steps that he ought to have taken as a trustee in order to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies, and complies with the charity's governing document and The Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities using FRS 102.

19 March 2021

Approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by

Esbjörn Wilmar

On behalf of the Board of Trustees

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE RINGWOOD WALDORF SCHOOL

#### **OPINION**

We have audited the financial statements of The Ringwood Waldorf School for the year ended 31 August 2020 on pages 11 to 24, which comprises the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and the related notes, 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).

This report is made solely to the 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 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 company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

#### In our opinion:

- the accounts give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 August 2020 and of the income and expenditure of the company for the year then ended;
- the accounts have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- the accounts have been properly 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 Charity 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 the provisions available for small entities, 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 trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the trustees have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that
  may cast significant doubt about the Charity'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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#### OTHER INFORMATION

The trustees 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 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 trustees' report (incorporating the strategic report and the directors' report) for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the trustees' report (incorporating the strategic report and the directors' report) have 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 Charity and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Trustees' Annual 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;
- the 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 obtained all the information and explanations necessary for the purposes of our audit.

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#### RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TRUSTEES

As explained more fully in the trustees' responsibilities statement set out on pages 6 and 7, the trustees 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.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the Charity'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 Charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

## OUR 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.

CJ GOODHEAD FCA

Senior Statutory Auditor For and on behalf of:

KNIGHT GOODHEAD LIMITED

Statutory Auditor and Chartered Accountants

7 Bournemouth Road Chandler's Ford Eastleigh

Hampshire SO53 3DA

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# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020 (including Income and expenditure account)

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2020 Total Funds £	2019 Total Funds £
INCOME					
Voluntary income	3	217,552	-	217,552	71,909
Charitable activities	3	879,765	8,664	888,429	975,222
Investment income	3	182	-	182	154
TOTALINCOME		1,097,499	8,664	1,106,163	1,047,285
EXPENDITURE					
Fundraising costs		9,511		9,511	9,036
Charitable activities		955,493	10,156	965,649	930,784
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	4	965,004	10,156	975,160	939,820
NET INCOME FOR THE YEAR		132,495	(1,492)	131,003	107,465
Transfers between funds	11,12		-	-	-
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS FOR THE YEA	IR	132,495	(1,492)	131,003	107,465
FUNDS AT 1 SEPTEMBER 2019		3,179,941	13,929	3,193,870	3,086,405
FUNDS AT 31 AUGUST 2020		3,312,436	12,437	3,324,873	3,193,870

All of the above results are derived from continuing operations. There were no other recognised gains or losses other than those stated above. Movements in funds are disclosed in notes 11 and 12 to the financial statements.

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# PRIOR YEAR STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019

(including Income and expenditure account)

INCOME	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2019 Total Funds £
Voluntary income	46,087	25,822	71,909
Charitable activities	957,722	17,500	975,722
Investment income	154		154
TOTAL INCOME	1,003,963	43,322	1,047,285
EXPENDITURE			
Fundraising costs	9,036	-	9,036
Charitable activities	927,213	3,571	930,784
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	936,249	3,571	939,820
NET INCOME FOR THE YEAR	67,714	39,751	107,465
Transfers between funds	25,822	(25,822)	
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS FOR THE YEAR	93,536	13,929	107,465
FUNDS AT 1 SEPTEMBER 2018	3,086,405		3,086,405
FUNDS AT 31 AUGUST 2019	3,179,941	13,929	3,193,870

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# **BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 AUGUST 2020**

			2020		2019
	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible fixed assets	7		3,354,037		3,354,134
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	8	87,832		30,127	
Cash at bank and in hand		317,290		256,643	
			405,122		286,770
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	9		(117,857)		(130,081)
NET CURRENT ASSETS			287,265		156,689
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TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			3,641,302		3,510,823
CREDITORS: amounts due after more than one year	10		(316,429)		(316,953)
NET ASSETS			3,324,873		3,193,870
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FUNDS					
Restricted funds	11		12,437		13,929
Unrestricted funds					
General funds	12	284,540		162,905	
Designated funds	12	3,027,896		3,017,036	
Total unrestricted funds			3,312,43 <del>6</del>		3,179,941
TOTAL FUNDS			3,324,873		3,193,870

Approved by the board of trustees on and signed on its behalf by

Trustee

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# CASHFLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

	Notes	2020 £	2019 £
NET CASH FLOW PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	1	73,875	113,234
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Interest received		182	154
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Purchase of fixed assets		(2,550)	(54,030)
Repayments of borrowing		(10,860)	(13,782)
NET CASH FLOW	_	60,647	45,576
	=		
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the year		60,647	45,576
Cash and cash equivalent at start of the year	_	256,643	211,067
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	2	317,290	256,643

# NOTES TO THE CASHFLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

# 1 RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

		2020	201 <del>9</del>
		£	£
	Net income for the year	131,003	107,465
	Interest received	(182)	(154)
	Depreciation	2,647	2,826
	(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(57,705)	1,970
	(Decrease)/increase in creditors	(1,888)	1,127
	Net cash flow from operating activities	73,875	113,234
2	ANALYSIS OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		
		2020	2019
		£	£
	Cash at bank and in hand	317,290	256,643

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# NOTES TO THE CASHFLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

		At 1		At 31
3	ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET DEBT	Sept 2020	Cash flows	Aug 2020
	Cash at bank and in hand	256,643	60,647	317,290
	Debt due within one year	(14,482)	10,336	(4,146)
	Debt due after one year	(316,953)	524	(316,429)
	•	(74,792)	71,507	(3,285)

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#### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

#### 1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### a) Accounting convention

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) (effective 1 January 2019) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

The charity meets the definition of the public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note.

The accounts have been prepared on the going concern basis. There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

#### b) Income

Fees and contributions are accounted for in full in the statement of financial activities when receivable. Fees received in advance are deferred and released in the subsequent accounting period.

Donations and legacies are received by way of donations and gifts and are included in full in the statement of financial activities when receivable.

Grants are recognised in full in the statement of financial activities in the year in which they are receivable.

## c) Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised in the period in which it is incurred. Expenditure include attributable VAT which cannot be recovered.

Expenditure is allocated to the particular activity where the cost relates directly to that activity. However, any costs relating to the overall direction and administration of the charity as a whole are apportioned based on the level of income of the activities.

Fundraising costs relate to the costs incurred by the charitable company in raising funds for the charitable work.

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## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

## 1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

## d) Tangible fixed assets

Items of equipment are capitalised where the purchase price exceeds £500. Depreciation costs are allocated to activities on the basis of the use of the related assets in those activities. Assets are reviewed for impairment if circumstances indicate their carrying value may exceed their net realisable value and value in use.

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write down the cost of each asset to its estimated residual value over its expected useful life. The depreciation rates in use are as follows:

Freehold land and buildings

nil

Assets under construction

nil

Fixtures, fittings & equipment

3 years straight line 25% reducing balance

## e) Provisions

Motor vehicles

Provisions are set up only where it is probable that a present obligation exists as a result of an event prior to the balance sheet date and that a payment will be required in settlement that can be estimated.

## f) Funds

Restricted funds are to be used for specific purposes as laid down by the donor. Expenditure which meets these criteria is charged to the fund together with a fair allocation of management costs and overheads.

Unrestricted funds are donations and other incoming resources receivable or generated for the objects of the charity.

## g) Pension commitments

The charity operates a defined contributions pension scheme in accordance with the National Employment Savings Trust (NEST). Contributions are charged in the accounts as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the scheme.

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## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

## 2 LEGAL STATUS

The charity is a company limited by guarantee and has no share capital. The charitable company was incorporated on 9 August 2013 in England and Wales and was registered on 25 September 2014 with the Charity Commission in England and Wales. The charity is a public benefit entity.

The registered office of the charitable company is Ringwood Waldorf School, Folly Farm Lane, Ashley, Ringwood, Hampshire, BH24 2NN.

## 3 INCOME

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2020 Total funds	2019 Total funds
	£	£	£	£
DONATIONS AND LEGACIES				
General donations	10,715	-	10,715	31,327
Community support	19,694		19,694	7,503
Parents and Friends	9,743	-	- 9,743	7,257
Grants	-	-	-	25,822
Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme	177,400		177,400	
Total donations and legacies	217,552	<u>-</u>	217,552	71,909
CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES				
Fees and contributions	859,573	-	859,573	906,876
Trips income	5,556	-	5,556	38,491
Erasmus	-	8,664	8,664	17,500
Otherincome	14,636		14,636	12,355
Total charitable activities	879,765	8,664	888,429	975,222
INVESTMENT INCOME				
Investment income	182		182	154
TOTAL INCOME	1,097,499	8,664	1,106,163	1,047,285

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# 4 EXPENDITURE

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2020 Total funds	2019 Total funds
	£	£	£	E
FUNDRAISING COSTS				
Fundraising and publicity	9,511		9,511	9,036
CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES				
Employed staff costs (see note 5)	774,697	_	774,697	588,878
School and education	27,887	-	27,887	37,595
Premises costs	54,580	-	54,580	70,181
Office and administration	22,068	-	22,068	24,080
Van, motor, and travel expenses	3,312		3,312	3,792
Bank charges and interest payable	16,625	-	16,625	16,947
Legal and professional fees	3,005	-	3,005	4,966
Staff training	4,713	-	4,713	2,115
Bad debts	28,645	-	28,645	33,569
Trips	8,367	-	8,367	32,159
Erasmus		10,156	10,156	3,571
Depreciation	2,647	-	2,647	2,826
Accountancy and bookkeeping	4,957	-	4,957	5,685
Audit	3,990	-	3,990	4,420
Total charitable activities	955,493	10,156	965,649	930,784
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	965,004	10,156	975,160	939,820

Included within audit costs is £3,990 payable to the auditors for audit services (2019: £4,420).

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# NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

## 5 EMPLOYED STAFF COSTS AND NUMBERS

No trustees were reimbursed expenses relating to travel costs during the current or prior year. No trustee received any remuneration in the current or prior year.

Employed staff costs were as follows:	2020	2019
	£	£
Salaries and wages	698,685	640,034
Social security costs	41,688	38,664
Pension costs	13,511	10,180
Settlement agreement	20,813	
	774,697	688,878
No employee earned more than £60,000 during this or the prior year.		
The average number of employees during the year was as follows:		
	2020	2019
	No.	No.

Key management were paid a total of £265,914 (2019: £161,232) paid to 10 employees (2019: 7 employees).

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## 6 TAXATION

Employees

The charitable company is exempt from corporation tax as all its income is charitable and is applied for charitable purposes.

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# 7 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

		Freehold land & buildings £	Assets under construction	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Motor vehicles £	Total £
	COST	_	_	_	_	_
	At 1 September 2019	3,110,350	238,121	5,231	8,565	3,362,267
	Additions in year	-	-	2,550	-	2,550
	Transfer	238,121	(238,121)	<u> </u>		
	At 31 August 2020	3,348,471		7,781	8,565	3,364,817
	DEPRECIATION					
	At 1 September 2019	-	-	3,181	4,952	8,133
	Charge for the year			1,744	903	2,647
	At 31 August 2020			4,925	5,855	10,780
	NET BOOK VALUE					
	At 31 August 2020	3,348,471		2,856	2,710	3,354,037
	At 1 September 2019	3,110,350	238,121	2,050	3,613	3,354,134
8	DEBTOR\$				2020 £	2019 £
	Trade debtors				44,624	24,525
	Other debtors				35,610	-
	Prepayments and accrued i	ncome .		_	7,598	5,602
				-	87,832	30,127
9	CREDITORS: amounts falling	g due within one y	ear			
					2020	2019
					£	£
	Bank loan (see note 10)				4,146	14,482
	Trade creditors				2,958	6,516
	Other taxation and social se	ecurity			9,895	10,267
	Other creditors				73,221	86,619
	Accruals and deferred incor	ne		_	27,637	12,197
				-	117,857	130,081

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# 10 CREDITORS: amounts falling due after more than one year

	2020	2019
	£	£
Bank loan	316,429	316,953

The bank loan relates to funding for the purchase of the Ringwood Waldorf School Hall. The Ringwood Waldorf School loan is provided by Triodos and interest is charged at 4% above Triodos Bank's base rate. The loan is secured on the school. The charity has moved to interest only repayments for twelve months until 22 May 2021.

The bank loan is repayable by instalments as follows:	2020 £	2019 £
Within 1 year	4,146	14,482
Between 2 and 5 years Over 5 years	72,565 243,864	64,728 252,225
Total falling due after more than one year	316,429	316,953
Total bank loans	320,575	331,435

# 11 MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - RESTRICTED FUNDS

	At 1 Sept 2019 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	At 31 August 2020 £
RESTRICTED FUNDS:					
Erasmus	13,929	8,664	(10,156)		12,437
Total restricted funds	13,929	8,664	(10,156)		12,437

Purposes of restricted funds

#### Erasmus

This fund relates to income and expenditure for students attending the Erasmus exchange programme.

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## 12 MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

•	At 1 Sept 2019	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 August 2020
DESIGNATED FUNDS:	£	£	£	£	£
Trips	-	5,556	(5,556)	-	-
Property capital fund	3,017,036		(15,192)	26,052	3,027,896
Total designated funds	3,017,036	5,556	(20,748)	26,052	3,027,896
General funds	162,905	1,091,943	(944,256)	(26,052)	284,540
Total unrestricted funds	3,179,941	1,097,499	(965,004)		3,312,436

Purposes of designated funds

#### Trips

This fund relates to contributions from parents towards organised trips.

# Property capital fund

This fund has been created to reflect the value of land & buildings held by the Trust, net of bank loans and property related loans outstanding at the balance sheet date.

## 13 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

## 2020

	Restricted funds £	Designated funds £	General funds £	Total funds £
Tangible fixed assets	-	3,348,471	5,56 <del>6</del>	3,354,037
Net current assets	12,437	(4,145)	278,974	287,265
Long term liabilities	-	(316,429)	-	(316,429)
NET ASSETS	12,437	3,027,896	284,540	3,324,873
2019				
	Restricted funds	Designated funds	General funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	-	3,348,471	5, <del>66</del> 3	3,354,134
Net current assets	13,929	(14,482)	157,242	156,689
Long term liabilities		(316,953)	-	(316,953)
NET ASSETS	13,929	3,017,036	162,905	3,193,870

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#### 14 RELATED PARTIES

The following transactions with related parties have occurred during the year:

One trustee has children who attend the school as students. In such instances trustees make contributions on the same terms as other parents, at the recommended rates.

A Walker, trustee, is also director of Lewis Schools Limited who co-ordinate the visiting students programmes. During the year a total of £59,001 (2019: £23,768) was received from Lewis Schools Limited on behalf of visiting students.

S Wilson-Devane, trustee, is also a director of Steiner Waldorf Schools Fellowship Limited who provide subscriptions for Ringwood Waldorf School. During the year, a total of £12,005 (2019: £12,203) was paid to Steiner Waldorf Schools Fellowship Limited for these services.

#### 15 DONATED SERVICES AND ASSETS

There were no donated services or assets received during the year.

### 16 IMPACT OF COVID-19

In March 2020 we were confronted with the Covid-19 crisis, overshadowing most of the rest of the year and is still ongoing. The most direct impact for the school is that almost all our visiting students returned home as soon as the full impact of the Covid-19 crisis became apparent. We also experienced a drop in our income because not all parents were able to fully pay their school contributions as they originally had committed at the start of the academic year.

We did take immediate actions to remedy the expected decrease in income. As soon as the Government allowed, we put almost all our staff on furlough and we have continued to make use of this furlough scheme through the course of the crisis. The salary costs for staff is by far the biggest cost for the school and therefore the possibility to make use of the Government funded furloughing scheme has had a material impact on mitigating the drop in income. So much so, that the total income from the furlough scheme outweighed the drop in income. As a consequence we have ended the academic year 2019 – 2020 with a healthy financial surplus which will provide us with a welcome financial buffer for the academic year 2020 ~ 2021.