Company Registration No. 2226604

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Director's report For the period ended 31 August 2000

The director presents her report and financial statements for the period ended 31 August 2000.

Director's responsibilities

Company law requires the director to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the director is required to:

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

The director is responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable her to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. She is also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Director

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The following director has held office since 31 December 1999:

FH Adkins

We regret to say that J R Adkins died on 1 July 2000.

Director's interests

The director's beneficial interest in the shares of the company was as stated below:

Ordinary shares of £ 1 each 31 August 2000 31 December 1999 10,000 5,000

FH Adkins 10

Included in the above is a beneficial interest in 5000 shares which are at present controlled by the Executors of the Estate of J R Adkins. No right to subscribe for shares in the company was granted or exercised during the period.

Principal activities and review of the business

The principal activity of the company continued to be that of running an independent school.

The results for the year and the financial position at the year end were considered satisfactory by the director who expects continued growth in the foreseeable future.

Results and dividends

The results for the period are set out on page 4.

Future developments

The company intends to continue to improve performance following the results of the period.

Director's report For the period ended 31 August 2000

Auditors

In accordance with section 385 of the Companies Act 1985, a resolution proposing that Mazars Neville Russell be reappointed as auditors of the company will be put to the Annual General Meeting.

Approved by the board on ... & January 200 (and signed on its behalf by

FH Adkins

Director

Auditors' report To the shareholders of Egerton Rothesay School Limited

We have audited the financial statements on pages 4 to 16 which have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 7.

Respective responsibilities of the director and auditors

As described on page 1 the company's director is responsible for the preparation of financial statements. Our responsibilities, as independent auditors, are established by statute, the Auditing Practices Board, and by our profession's ethical guidance.

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act. We also report to you if, in our opinion, the director's report is not consistent with the financial statements, if the company has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding director's remuneration and transactions with the company is not disclosed.

We read the other information contained in the Annual Report and consider whether it is consistent with the audited financial statements. We consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements or material inconsistencies with the financial statements.

Basis of opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the director in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 August 2000 and of its profit for the period then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

MAZARS NEVILLE RUSSELL CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

and Registered Auditors 6 Becket Street

Oxford

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8 January 2001

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Profit and loss account For the period ended 31 August 2000

	Notes	Period ended 31 August 2000 £	Year ended 30 December 1999 £
Turnover	2	1,736,210	2,551,631
Cost of sales		(1,273,953)	(1,797,483)
Gross profit		462,257	754,148
Administrative expenses Other operating income		(264,168) 452,330	(379,815)
Operating profit	3	650,419	374,333
Other interest receivable and similar income Interest payable and similar charges	4 5	3,512 (31,275)	606 (68,482)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		622,656	306,457
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	8	(69,034)	(75,809)
Profit on ordinary activities after taxation	16	553,622	230,648

The profit and loss account has been prepared on the basis that all operations are continuing operations.

There are no recognised gains and losses other than those passing through the profit and loss account.

Balance sheet As at 31 August 2000

		20)00	19	199
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	9		1,514,385		1,591,074
Investments	10		100		100
			1,514,485		1,591,174
Current assets					
Stocks		20,384		5,452	
Debtors	12	73,746		68,329	
Cash at bank and in hand		344,258		187,526	
		438,388		261,307	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		(847,028)		(883,933)	
Net current liabilities			(408,640)		(622,626)
Total assets less current liabilities			1,105,845		968,548
Creditors: amounts falling due after					
more than one year	14		(140,208)		(556,533)
			965,637		412,015
Capital and magazina					
Capital and reserves Share capital			10,000		10,000
Share premium account	16		5,269		5,269
Profit and loss account	16		950,368		396,746
1 fort and ross account	10				
Shareholders' funds - equity interest	s 17		965,637		412,015

Approved by the Board on S. January 2001 and signed on its behalf by

F.H. Hauri FH Adkins

Director

Cash flow statement For the period ended 31 August 2000

	Notes		Period ended 31 August 2000 £	30]	Year ended December 1999 £
Net cash inflow from operating activities	18		809,234		514,739
Returns on investments and servicing of finance Interest received		3,512		606	
Interest received Interest paid Interest element of finance lease rentals		(30,766) (386)		(59,648) (496)	
Net cash outflow for returns on investments and servicing of finance			(27,640)		(59,538)
Taxation			-		(47,151)
Capital expenditure Payments to acquire tangible assets		(15,453)		(24,245)	
Net cash outflow for capital expenditure			(15,453)		(24,245)
Net cash inflow before management of liquid resources and financing			766,447		383,805
Financing Repayment of long term bank loan Repayment of other long term loans Capital element of hire purchase contra Capital element of finance lease contra		(524,351) (76,123) (6,402) (2,851)		(110,105) (13,057) - (2,605)	
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from financing			(609,726)		(125,767)
Increase in cash in the period	19		(156,720)		258,038

Notes to the financial statements For the period ended 31 August 2000

1 Accounting policies

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention

1.2 Turnover

Turnover represents amounts receivable for goods and services net of VAT and trade discounts.

1.3 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Land and buildings Freehold

2% straight line

Fixtures, fittings & equipment

12.5% and 33% straight line

Motor vehicles

25% straight line

1.4 Leasing

Assets obtained under hire purchase contracts and finance leases are capitalised as tangible assets and depreciated over the shorter of the lease term and their useful lives. Obligations under such agreements are included in creditors net of the finance charge allocated to future periods. The finance element of the rental payment is charged to the profit and loss account so as to produce a constant periodic rate of charge on the net obligation outstanding in each period.

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged against income on a straight line basis over the lease term.

1.5 Investments

Fixed asset investments are stated at cost less provision for diminution in value.

1.6 Stock

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

1.7 Pensions

The pension costs charged in the financial statements represent the contributions payable by the company during the period in accordance with SSAP 24.

1.8 Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is provided at appropriate rates on all timing differences using the liability method only to the extent that, in the opinion of the director, there is a reasonable probability that a liability or asset will crystallise in the foreseeable future.

1.9 Group accounts

The financial statements present information about the company as an individual undertaking and not about its group. The company and its subsidiary undertaking comprise a medium-sized group. The company has therefore taken advantage of the exemptions provided by section 248 of the Companies Act 1985 not to prepare group accounts.

Notes to the financial statements For the period ended 31 August 2000

2 Turnover

The total turnover of the company for the period has been derived from its principal activity wholly undertaken in the United Kingdom.

3	Operating profit	2000 £	1999 £
	Operating profit is stated after charging:		
	Depreciation of tangible assets	92,142	62,000
	Operating lease rentals		
	- Plant and machinery	23,494	41,005
	Auditors' remuneration	6,463	2,500
			
4	Other interest receivable and similar income	2000	1999
		£	£
	Bank interest	3,512	606
5	Interest payable	2000	1999
	21100. 000 p.u.y uu - 1	£	£
	On bank loans and overdrafts	57	4,198
	On other loans wholly repayable within 5 years	30,709	63,155
	Lease finance charges	386	496
	On overdue tax	123	633
		31,275	68,482

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Notes to the financial statements For the period ended 31 August 2000

,	Employees		
	Number of employees The average monthly number of employees (including directors) during the period was:		
	the period was.	2000 Number	1999 Number
	Teaching	100	99
	Domestic Administration	19 12	18 8
		 -	
		= 131	=======================================
	Employment costs		
		£	£
	Wages and salaries	878,573	1,314,856
	Social security costs	61,715	16,825
	Other pension costs	40,892	38,267
		981,180	1,369,948
7	Director's emoluments	2000	1999
		£	£
	Emoluments for qualifying services	20,087	52,991
	Company pension contributions to money purchase schemes	-	1,604
		20,087	54,595
8	Taxation	2000	1999
_		£	£
	U.K. current year taxation		
	U.K. corporation tax at 20% (1999-20%)	70,000	76,775
	Prior years U.K. corporation tax	(966)	(966)
		69,034	75,809

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Notes to the financial statements For the period ended 31 August 2000

)	Tangible fixed assets				
		Land and buildings Freehold	Fixtures, fittings & equipment	Motor vehicles	Total
		£	£	£	£
	Cost				
	At 31 December 1999	1,341,132	442,693	12,380	1,796,205
	Additions	-	15,453		15,453
	At 31 August 2000	1,341,132	458,146	12,380	1,811,658
	Depreciation				
	At 31 December 1999	-	198,941	6,190	205,131
	Charge for the period	26,823	62,224	3,095	92,142
	At 31 August 2000	26,823	261,165	9,285	297,273
	Net book value				
	At 31 August 2000	1,314,309	196,981	3,095	1,514,385
	At 30 December 1999	1,341,132	243,752	6,190	1,591,074

Included above are assets held under finance leases or hire purchase contracts as follows:

	Fixtures, fittings & equipment	Motor vehicles	Total
	£	£	£
Net book values			
At 31 August 2000	5,710	3,095	8,805
At 30 December 1999	11,420	6,190	17,610
Depreciation charge for the period			
31 August 2000	5,710	3,095	8,805
30 December 1999	5,710	3,095	8,805

Notes to the financial statements For the period ended 31 August 2000

10 Fixed asset investments

Shares in subsidiary undertakings

288

20,384

1,544

5,452

£

Cost

At 31 December 1999 & at 31 August 2000

100

In the opinion of the director, the aggregate value of the company's investment in subsidiary undertakings is not less than the amount included in the balance sheet.

The investment in the subsidiary is as follows:

Finished goods and goods for resale

Company	Country of registration or	Shares held	
	incorporation	Class	%
Subsidiary undertakings			
Egerton Rothesay Services Limited	England and Wales	Ordinary	100

The aggregate amount of capital and reserves and the results of these undertakings for the last relevant financial year were as follows:

	Egerton Rothesay Services Limited	Capital and reserves 15,601	Profit for the year (1,553)
11	Stocks	2000 £	1999 £
	Raw materials and consumables	20,096	3,908

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12	Debtors	2000 £	1999 £
	Trade debtors Prepayments and accrued income	63,289 10,457	50,495 17,834
		73,746	68,329

Trade debtors are stated net of a provision for bad and doubtful debts of £85,906 (1999: £163,276).

13	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2000	1999
		£	£
	Bank loans and overdrafts	4,157	191,145
	Payments received on account	522,183	401,027
	Net obligations under finance lease and hire purchase contracts	5,710	12,112
	Trade creditors	60,959	55,800
	Amounts owed to subsidiary undertakings	16,984	72,920
	Corporation tax	145,932	76,775
	Other taxes and social security costs	26,428	-
	Director's current accounts	6,000	12,000
	Other creditors	49,127	48,363
	Accruals and deferred income	9,548	13,791
		847,028	883,933

Notes to the financial statements For the period ended 31 August 2000

14	Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	2000 £	1999 £
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	Bank loans Other loans	69,622	388,473 7,000
	Net obligations under finance leases and hire purchase agreements	5,964	8,815
	Directors current account	64,622	152,245
		140,208	556,533
	Analysis of loans		
	Not wholly repayable within five years by instalments:	5 0 (00	
	Loan from the Late J R Adkins	70,622	- 506 472
	Wholly repayable within five years	9000	586,473
		79622	586,473
	Included in current liabilities	(10000)	(191,000)
		69,622	395,473
	Instalments not due within five years	34,622	
	Loan maturity analysis		
	In more than one year but not more than two years	10,000	137,000
	In more than two years but not more than five years	25,000	246,269
	In more than five years	34,622	====
	Net obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts		
	Repayable within one year	5,710	12,112
	Repayable between one and five years	5,964	8,815
		11,674	20,927
	Included in liabilities falling due within one year	(5,710)	(12,112
		5,964	8,815

Notes to the financial statements For the period ended 31 August 2000

15	Share capital	2000 £	1999 £
	Authorised	ou-	a-
	10,000 Ordinary shares of £ 1 each	10,000	10,000
	Allotted, called up and fully paid		
	10,000 Ordinary shares of £ 1 each	10,000	10,000
16	Statement of movements on reserves		
		Share premium account £	Profit and loss account
	Balance at 31 December 1999	5,269	396,746
	Retained profit for the period		553,622
	Balance at 31 August 2000	5,269	950,368
17	Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds	2000 £	1999 £
	Due Sit fourther Surgarial marind		
	Profit for the financial period Opening shareholders' funds	553,622 412,015	230,648 181,367
	Closing shareholders' funds	965,637	412,015
18	Reconciliation of operating profit to net cash inflow from operating activities	2000	1999
	operating activities	£	£
	Operating profit	650,419	
	Depreciation of tangible assets	92,142	•
	Increase/(decrease) in stocks (Increase)/decrease in debtors	(14,932 (5,417	
	Increase in creditors within one year	87,328	
	Net cash inflow from operating activities	809,540	514,739

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19	Analysis of net debt	31 December 1999	Cash flow	31 August 2000	
		£	£	£	
	Net cash:	10= == 1			
	Cash at bank and in hand	187,526	156,732	344,258	
	Bank overdrafts	(145)	(12)	(157)	
		187,381	156,720	344,101	
	Debt:				
	Finance leases	(20,927)	9,253	(11,674)	
	Debts falling due within one year	(191,000)	187,000	(4,000)	
	Debts falling due after one year	(395,473)	261,229	(134,244)	
		(607,400)	457,482	(149,918)	
	Net debt	(420,019)	614,202	194,183	
20	Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net debt			2000 £	1999 £
	Increase in cash in the period Cash outflow from decrease in debt and	lease financing		156,720 457,482	258,038 112,710
	Change in net debt resulting from cash fl New finance lease	lows		614,202	370,748 (17,130)
	Movement in net funds/(debt) in the p	eriod		614,202	353,618
	Opening net debt			(420,019)	(773,637)
	Closing net funds/(debt)			194,183	(420,019)

21 Pension costs

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company in an independently administered fund. The pension cost charge represents contributions payable by the company to the fund and amounted to £43,250 (1999-£38,268). Contributions totalling £5,833 (1999-£3,215) were payable to the fund at the year end and are included in creditors.

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22 Financial commitments

At 31 August 2000 the company had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

	2000	1999
	£	£
Expiry date:		
Between two and five years	26,158	26,020
		====

23 Related party transactions

The subsidiary undertaking, Egerton Rothesay Services Limited previously supplied teaching, administration and domestic staff to the school. No charge was made to the school by the service company for these services in the period ended 31 August 2000 (1999: 989,859) as all staff are now employed by the school. At 30 August 2000 Egerton Rothesay School owed £ 16,984 (1999: £72,920) to Egerton Rothesay Services Limited. No money was paid on behalf of PACT, a company that the Late John Adkins was a director (1999: £1,429). Egerton Rothesay School Limited pay the audit fee for The Rothesay Trust as a donation each year. There was no charge in the period (1999: Approx £800).

24 Control

Ultimate control is held by Mrs F H Adkins by virtue of her holding 50% of the issued share capital and a benefcial interest in the issued share capital currently in the Estate of the Late J R Adkins.