

JOSEPH CLARKE SCHOOL TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 1000964

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Trust

Registered 1990-11-14

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: A) PROVIDING SUCH SPECIAL BENEFITS OF ANY KIND NOT NORMALLY PROVIDED BY THE LOCAL EDUCATION AUTHORITY FOR JOSEPH CLARKE SCHOOL OF VINCENT ROAD HIGHAMS PARK LONDON E4 9PP OR OTHER MAINTAINED SCHOOLS OR UNITS IN THE LONDON BOROUGH OF WALTHAM FOREST WHOSE PRIME PURPOSE IS THE PROVISION OF EDUCATION OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE WHO ARE VISUALLY HANDICAPPED B) TO EDUCATE AND ASSIST VISUALLY HANDICAPPED YOUNG PERSONS THROUGH THEIR LEISURE TIME ACTIVITIES SO TO DEVELOP THEIR PHYSICAL, MENTAL AND SPIRITUAL CAPACITIES THAT THEY MAY GROW TO FULL MATURITY AS INDIVIDUALS AND MEMBERS OF SOCIETY AND THAT THEIR CONDITIONS OF LIFE MAY BE IMPROVED AND IN FURTHERANCE OF THAT OBJECT PROVIDE WITHIN THE LONDON BOROUGH OF WALTHAM FOREST CENTRES FOR MEETINGS LECTURES CLASSES AND OTHER FORMS OF LEISURE TIME OCCUPATION INCLUDING A BRAILLE LIBRARY AND RESIDENTIAL ACCOMMODATION FOR SHORT TERM TRAINING

Activities: To provide such special benefits of any kind not normally provided by the Local Education Authority for Joseph Clarke School for the visually impaired of London E4 9PP. To educate and assist visually impaired young persons through their leisure time activities to develop their physical mental and spiritual capacities.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Education/training, Disability
- **Who:** Children/young People, People With Disabilities

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** WALTHAM FOREST
- Waltham Forest

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£89,162	£17,118	-	-
2024-03-31	£50,647	£13,617	-	-
2023-03-31	£55,903	£27,881	-	-
2022-03-31	£19,992	£24,771	-	-
2021-03-31	£22,357	£14,104	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
FRANK JAMES SMITH	Chair	
Isobel Bidder		2023-03-08
JANET LEWIS		
MICHAEL LEWIS		
ROY WILLIAM HOOPER		
William Reece Bidder		2023-03-08

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Patron: Princess Michael of Kent

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT & ACCOUNT SUMMARY FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 1 APRIL 2024 – 31 MARCH 2025

Chair: Mr F.J. Smith

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JOSEPH CLARKE SCHOOL TRUST

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT FOR

FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2025

PURPOSE:- The Joseph Clarke School Trust is a Registered Charity founded in September 1990. It has a remit to support the pupils, parents, and staff of Joseph Clarke School for the Visually Impaired in Highams Park, London E4 9PP. We seek to fund benefits that enrich the education and life experience of children attending – outside those normally supplied by the Education Authority. On 1 January 2025 April the School became a member of the Learning in Harmony Trust.

TRUSTEES:- Frank Smith – Chair, Isobel Bidder – Treasurer, Michael Lewis - Secretary, William Bidder, John Chipperfield, Roy Hooper and Janet Lewis.

Patricia Theron resigned as a Trustee on 19 March 2025.

All Trustees are volunteers, and as such do not receive payment for their services.

REGISTERED ADDRESS:- 63, Endlebury Road, London E4 6QB.

REGISTRATION NUMBER:- 1000964.

EMPLOYEES:- There are no employees.

It is the view of the Trustees that this Financial Year has been successful. We also believe that activities were wholly in line with the charitable purposes laid down by the Charities Act 2011.

MEETINGS:- Management meetings were held on 8 May 2024, 26 June 2024, 18 September 2024, 20 November 2024, 22 January 2025 and 19 March 2025 with a mix of face-to-face and remote attendance.

ACTIVITIES - FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2025

Highlights of 2024/25 activities include :-

- **Donation from Wanstead and Woodford Association for the Blind** - In November 2024 the Trust received a significant donation of £82,009.12 from the Wanstead and Woodford Association for the Blind. This weekly social club for visually impaired adults in the area closed. As a result, the Trustees of that charity agreed that it should close, and they agreed that a significant portion of its balance of funds should be given to the Joseph Clarke School Trust.
- **Quiz Night** – A Quiz Night was held at the school in May 2024. This was a fun evening with a raffle. The total raised was over £500.
- **Charity Golf Day 2024** – Golfers enjoyed a day of golf at the Theydon Bois Golf Club followed by a dinner with their friends and families. The main sponsor was Borno Pharmacy. Twelve other local companies sponsored holes and two more made significant donations. There was

a raffle with generous prize donations from individuals and local businesses. The event raised around £5000.

- **Charities Aid Foundation** - £ 500 An anonymous donation was received through the Charities Aid Foundation.
- **Residential Education** – Two short-term residential education visits were supported at a cost of £7493.94. These visits provide important opportunities for pupils to gain new life experiences and learn to be away from their families, many for the first time.

In partnership with the Arundel Cricket Foundation, a group of pupils accompanied by school staff went to Arundel. They stayed at a nearby residential centre and enjoyed cricket coaching, with perfect weather. During the trip, pupils enjoyed woodland activities, fire lighting and a trip to Arundel castle.



The School Principal said:

They all had a wonderful time. Thank you to the Joseph Clarke School Trust for funding this residential trip each year. It always gives our pupils an exciting opportunity to learn new skills and experiences, and to help build their confidence.

Twelve pupils accompanied by four members of staff went to the Kingswood Activity Centre in Kent.

- **School Enrichment Activities** - The Trust support several educational enrichment activities. Many of the school's pupils have additional learning difficulties, mobility difficulties and social communication issues. £3600 was spent on such activities. These activities included hatching chicks, the English Touring Opera and story tellers.

- **Equipment** - £5958.47 was spent on equipment. This included computer equipment, a mud kitchen and sensory items for the Early Years play area.



JOSEPH CLARKE SCHOOL TRUST – ACCOUNT SUMMARY

Financial Year 1 April 2024 – 31 March 2025

RECEIPTS	£ - p	PAYMENTS	£ - p
Golf Days	2792.60	Residential Education	7493.94
Quiz and Raffle	1948.00	Other Educational Experiences	3600.00
Wanstead and Woodford Association for the Blind	82,009.12	Educational Equipment	5958.47
Charities Aid Foundation	500.00	Insurance	65.46
Donations	100.00		
Easy Fundraising	55.38		
Interest	1756.71		

Total Receipts	89,161.81	Total Payments	17,117.87

Note 1 - All funds received in 2024/25 Financial Year were Unrestricted.

Note 2 - Cash balance carried forward at 31 March 2025 is Unrestricted.

Note 3 – At 31 March 2025 £5,020 of the balance was pre-planned expenditure for FY 2025/26 and £44,000 was discussed as possible expenditure.

Going forward the Trust will continue to sustain the school’s objective of providing pupils with the latest & most effective study facilities, as well as developing life skills.

STATEMENT of ASSETS & LIABILITIES	
2024/25 NET RECEIPTS	£72,043.94
CASH BALANCE C/F FROM 2023/24	£96,387.22
CASH BALANCE AT 31 MARCH 2025	£168,431.16

Account Summary by I. J. Bidder – Trustee & Treasurer



THE JOSEPH CLARKE SCHOOL TRUST

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

For the attention of the Trustees

I have examined the accounts for The Joseph Clarke School Trust for the period 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025 and have found them to be correct in all respects.

Signed:

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Date: 24 July 2025
Mrs B Hearn
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TRUSTEES:- Frank Smith – Chair, Isobel Bidder – Treasurer, Michael Lewis - Secretary, William Bidder, John Chipperfield, Roy Hooper, Janet Lewis, Patricia Theron.

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EMPLOYEES:- There are no employees.

It is the view of the Trustees that this Financial Year has been successful. We also believe that activities were wholly in line with the charitable purposes laid down by the Charities Act 2011.

MEETINGS:- Management meetings were held on 10 May 2023, 28 June 2023, 1 November 2023, 17 January 2024 and 8 March 2024 with a mix of face-to-face and remote attendance.

ACTIVITIES - FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2024

Highlights of 2023/24 activities include :-

- **MRS D.L. Ling - Legacy** - In June 2022 the Trust gained significantly from a Probate Legacy. This came from the Estate Account of Mrs Doreen Louise Ling, with an initial payment totalling £50k. The second and final payment of £42,685.43 was received in April 2023. Such generosity from a long standing and valued supporter has greatly enhanced the range of activities and resources the Trust can fund for the children of Joseph Clarke School.
- **Charity Golf Day 2023** – This was the Trust’s only fundraising event. Golfers enjoyed a day of golf at the Theydon Bois Golf Club followed by a dinner with their friends and families. The main sponsor was Borno Pharmacy. Twelve other local companies sponsored holes and two more made significant donations. There was a raffle with generous prize donations from individuals and local businesses. The event made a profit of just under £3,680.
- **Co-op Local Community Fund** – The Trust was successful in its bid to the Co-op Local Community Fund and received £3,754.98 for IT equipment. £2,400 of the grant was used to purchase a Connect 12 Magnifier – a high performance potable table-top digital magnifier to

support pupils with low vision. The balance will be used to purchase a 3D printer to make objects of reference for pupils with severe learning and sensory needs, and a swell form machine to make tactile representations of 2D diagrams.

- **Residential Education** – Two short term residential education visits were supported. These visits provide important opportunities for pupils to gain new life experiences and learn to be away from their families, many for the first time.

In partnership with the Arundel Cricket Foundation, eight pupils enjoyed cricket coaching and outdoor recreation at the famous Arundel cricket ground. As well as the cricket they enjoyed fire-lighting, den building, walking around the grounds and the tulip festival, and climbing to the top of the castle. The Trust contributed £700 to the Cricket Foundation costs and £300 for sundries on the trip.

The trip leader said:

'DLR class took part in a residential trip to the Arundel Cricket Foundation this year. This was the first time away from home for most of the children and they surpassed all our expectations. They demonstrated their independent living skills that they have been practising during the year and as usual were polite, enthusiastic and kind to each other throughout the 3 days. We saw a huge improvement in their cricket skills, and they really enjoyed having the space to run and to hit the ball as far as they could! The trip to the castle was really interesting and they all managed the very steep spiral staircase. Every day was packed full of activities, and everyone returned to school happy but pleasantly tired.'





- Eight pupils went to the Kingswood Activity Centre in Kent. Here they had chance to try archery, climbing, zip wire and assault courses. This was made possible by a grant from the Trust of £2708 for Kingswood and coach transport. A deposit was made for a similar trip next year.
- **School Enrichment Activities –**
In May the Reptile Ranch visited the school. All children had the chance to touch and handle various reptiles, including snakes, tortoises, chameleon, bearded dragons and geckos. It is so important for children with vision impairment to have such experiences.

In October the children were had a wild science animal visit. They could interact and handle a broad range of fluffy and exotic animals.





In the spring a tank with fertilised chicks' eggs was delivered to the school. The children had the chance to learn and observe the development of the eggs into chicks and to care for and interact with them.

In March, to celebrate World Book Day a storyteller visited over three days to hold interactive storytelling sessions with every class.

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Financial Year 1 April 2023 – 31 March 2024

RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
	£ - p		£ - p
Golf 2023	3,679.70	Arundel Residential Trip	1,000.00
Donations	435.00	Kingswood Residential Trip	2,708.25
Easy Fundraising	91.65	Connect 12 Magnifier	2,420.00
Co-op Community Fund	3,754.98	Just Giving Fees	90.00
Total Receipts	50,646.76	Total Payments	13,617.25

Note 1 - All funds received in 2023/24 Financial Year were Unrestricted except for the Co-op Community Fund Grant which is for IT equipment.

Note 2 - Cash balance carried forward at 31 March 2024 is Unrestricted except for the balance £1334.98 of the Co-op Community Fund Grant which is for IT equipment.

Note 3 – Currently £11,753.99 of 31 March 2024 balance is pre-planned expenditure for FY 2024/25.

Going forward the Trust will continue to sustain the school’s objective of providing pupils with the latest & most effective study facilities, as well as developing life skills.

STATEMENT of ASSETS & LIABILITIES	
2023/24 NET RECEIPTS	£37,029.51
CASH BALANCE C/F FROM 2022/23	£59,357.71
CASH BALANCE AT 31 MARCH 2024	£96,387.22

Account Summary by I. J. Bidder – Trustee & Treasurer



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Independent Examiner's Statement

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Signed

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31 May 2024

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TRUSTEES:- Frank Smith – Chair, Roy Hooper – Treasurer, Michael Lewis, Janet Lewis, Patricia Theron, John Chipperfield.

In March 2023 we were very pleased to welcome 2 new Trustees to the Management Committee – these were Isobel Bidder a former Head of School, and her husband William Bidder who is a Solicitor by profession. Mrs Bidder was also appointed Treasurer for the upcoming Financial Year.

* NB all Trustees are volunteers, and as such do not receive payment for their services.

MEETINGS:- In another year affected by the world pandemic, Management meetings were held on 15-6-22, 20-7-22, 30-11-22, 11-1-23 and 8-3-23 with a mix of face-to-face & remote attendance.

MRS D.L. LING - LEGACY

In June 2022 the Trust gained significantly from a Probate Legacy. This came from the Estate Account of Mrs Doreen Louise Ling, with an initial payment totalling £50k. In addition, a second & final payment exceeding £40k is expected in FY 2023/24. Such generosity from a long standing & valued supporter will greatly enhance the range of activities the Trust can fund for the children of Joseph Clarke School.

ACTIVITIES - FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING MARCH 31st 2023

Highlights of 2022/23 activities include :-

- **Charity Golf Day 2022** – financially this proved our most successful ever. In addition to a well supported and thoroughly enjoyable day's play, the event returned an overall profit in excess of £13k. Special mention must go to Jaspar Foundation - the charitable arm of leading property company Jaspar Group - who made a magnificent £8k Sponsorship contribution.
- **New Mantis Q40 Brailers** – as you might expect a top priority of the School (and therefore the Trust) is to provide pupils with the very latest in Study facilities. For some years now we have been seeking to increase our stock of Braille NoteTakers, which have proved extremely useful as an educational aid.

More recently Senior Management at Joseph Clarke identified the new Mantis Q40 equipment as a study tool with particular advantages for Maths applications. Following good results from a test purchase in the previous FY, the Trust was able to purchase 4 more such units, along with necessary Magnifiers, at a cost of over £16k.

ACTIVITIES - FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING MARCH 31st 2023 continued

- **Perkins Brailleurs** - in addition to obtaining new technology, we also recognise that the time honoured Perkins Braille (invented over 70 years ago) is still a useful means of providing braille reproduction. With this in mind, the Trust organised a thorough overhaul of the School's Perkins machines – and this included the purchase of 5 more such units via e-Bay, plus repairs carried out as necessary. Total cost just under £700.
- **Music Projects** - another priority for this FY was the upgrading of pupils' music resources. Working to school specifications, the Trust facilitated purchase of required musical equipment to the tune of £3k.

Music also inspired pupils when the English Touring Opera Company (ETOC) gave a specially tailored Concert for children. The Trust met the cost of £348.

- **Kingswood Activity Centre** - October 2022 saw a first for the school, when a Joseph Clarke party enjoyed a 3-day visit to this popular Activity Centre in Ashford Kent. The Trust made this possible by meeting the cost of almost £5.5k. Such was the success of this venture that further visits will be planned, and the Trust has already paid a further deposit of £750 to enable more pupils to experience Kingswood in 2023.
- **Christmas Panto** - the Trust traditionally facilitates a Christmas celebration for pupils. In 2022 this took the form of an entire Panto cast visiting & performing for the children. Suffice to say a good time was had by all. Oh yes it was!

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Financial Year 1st April 2022 – 31st March 2023			
RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
£ - p		£ - p	
<i>Unrestricted Funds</i>			
Mrs D.L. Ling Legacy 1	50,000.00	4 Mantis Q40 + Mags	16,768.00
Golf 2022	3,751.65	5 Perkins Brailers	599.50
Golf 2023	1,650.00	Brailler repairs	90.00
Donations	399.50	Kingswood '22 visit	5,447.75
Easy Fundraising	65.20	Kingswood '23 deposit	750.06
Gift Aid	23.75	Music Project	3,000.00
All other	12.50	Christmas Panto	649.00
		ETOC Opera Show	348.00
		Just Giving Fees	216.00
		All other	12.50
Total Receipts	55,902.60	Total Payments	27,880.81

Note 1 - All funds received in 2022/23 Financial Year are Unrestricted.

Note 2 - Similarly, cash balance carried forward at 31st March 2023 is also Unrestricted.

Note 3 – Currently £16,560 of 31st March 2023 balance is pre-planned expenditure for FY 2023/24.

Going forward the Trust will continue to sustain the School's objective of providing pupils with the latest & most effective Study facilities, as well as developing life skills.

STATEMENT of ASSETS & LIABILITIES	
2022/23 NET RECEIPTS	£28,021.79
CASH BALANCE C/F FROM 2021/22	£31,335.92
CASH BALANCE AT 31st MARCH 2023	£59,357.71

Account Summary by R.W. Hooper – Trustee & Treasurer



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INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS STATEMENT

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Signed

 31/8/2023

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