

THE PARENT AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION OF THE STEINER ACADEMY HEREFORD

England & Wales · Charity number 1135990

Details

Other names FRIENDS

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 2010-05-18

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

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECT OF THE ASSOCIATION ("THE OBJECTS") IS TO SUPPORT AND ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF PUPILS IN THE SCHOOL, TO PROMOTE THE WELL-BEING OF THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY, AND TO SUPPORT THE DEVELOPMENT OF STEINER EDUCATION IN ITS WIDEST SENSE, IN PARTICULAR BY 2.1 DEVELOPING EFFECTIVE RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN THE STAFF, PARENTS AND OTHERS ASSOCIATED WITH THE SCHOOL;2.2 ENGAGING IN ACTIVITIES OR PROVIDING FACILITIES OR EQUIPMENT WHICH SUPPORT THE SCHOOL AND ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF THE PUPILS, OR OTHERWISE SUPPORT THE COMMUNITY OR WIDER EDUCATIONAL AIMS OF THE STEINER MOVEMENT.

Activities: To raise money through various events held at The Steiner Academy Hereford to support the charities aims. These include class fundraisers such as cake stalls, a summer fair, cabaret etc and whole school events such as a summer Garden Festival and Advent Fair. We also support our school community by providing informative talks and practical support where needed.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** UNDEFINED. IN PRACTICE, LOCAL
- Herefordshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-09-30	£104,296	£96,423	-	-
2023-09-30	£85,583	£85,546	-	-
2022-09-30	£88,660	£81,215	-	-
2021-09-30	£79,229	£73,911	-	-
2020-09-30	£72,308	£68,942	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Sophy Simpson	Chair	2019-09-01
Michael Barnes		2024-09-01
Ruth Barnes		2019-09-01

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England & Wales - Charity number 1135990

Accounts

Chair's Report, July 4 2025

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of the Steiner Academy Hereford,

What a year! Perhaps I think that every year, but this year has been truly impressive. Last year we set ourselves the challenge of raising an extra £20,000 to fund the purchase of a new minibus, in addition to our usual fundraising commitments. And I'm so proud of all of us, because we have so nearly achieved this target!!

We have done all the usual things in our fundraising calendar this year: we made apple juice (lots), had a fabulous Harvest Lunch, held another magical Advent Fair, blessed the orchard with a Wassail, enjoyed a sunny Spring Fair, worked the Steiner Diner and children's activities at Hellen's Garden Festival and tomorrow we will enjoy a craft and wellbeing themed Summer Fair. Class 8's Fun Dog Show hosted at Redbrook Farm was a huge highlight this year and I'm sure Class 9 will provide a delicious feast for Class 10's Cabaret. The Kindergartens got creative with their fundraising ideas and held cake and ice lolly sales, produced the most beautiful cookery book, and catered for Arts Alive events. All these things take just a few lines to list, but the amount of effort and time that go into them is never small. So many people have worked very hard to organise and run these events and, as ever, they have done themselves proud.

On top of all this we have held numerous other events to raise money for a new minibus. These included hosting singing workshops at school, organising an Evening of Short Talks, a Bingo Night, a plant sale, sponsored runs and bike rides, a Virtual Balloon Race, and ice cream and watermelon sales. We've done so much fundraising! However, we would still be a long way off without all the very generous donations that we have received through our JustGiving page. We are incredibly grateful to everyone who was able to make a financial contribution, thereby accelerating us towards our goal.

We have had a lot of ideas that we haven't even managed to make happen, but I have so enjoyed hearing people's suggestions for ways to raise money and their enthusiasm for contributing in whatever way they can. Thank you to all those local businesses who have supported us with donations of prizes and services.

In addition to all the fundraising, we have also benefitted from the four workdays we held throughout the year, maintaining and caring for our premises while connecting with other parents and being treated to lunch and cakes. Thank you to everyone who attended a workday and of course to those who looked after our tummies as well.

Over the last year or so we have made a couple of changes to the way we fundraise. Previously, if an event raised more money than the amount that Friends asks each class to raise (currently £700 per class/£1200 for the Kindergartens), that class was at liberty to add the surplus to their 'class pot', as a way of helping to reduce the cost of class trips etc. Having given this some thought over the last few years, the committee has agreed that if an event is advertised as being in aid of Friends, it is not acceptable to divert some of that money to a different cause, and therefore ALL funds raised should

remain with Friends. However, classes are still free to raise funds for their own class's needs (trips/resources, etc.) once they have raised their minimum amount for Friends. We simply ask that it be made clear these fundraisers are for a specific class and not for Friends.

This brings me on to what is currently known as the 'class pot'. A somewhat messy concept, we have decided to tweak things to make it clearer what it is for and how it works. A handy document explaining all of this has been created to bring clarity, so please do read it when it comes your way.

All in all, we finish the year thus:

Raised by class and whole-school fundraisers: £23,927 (with Summer Fair still to go!)

Raised for minibus: approx. £16,100

Lottery profits: £1,173

School shop profits: almost £4,000, of which £3,000 was given to school to support therapies.

The Elder Tree continues to be a good support for our fundraising and also a valued source of clothing for our community. Apple juice sales continue to go very well. We started with an incredible 900 bottles this year and 'only' have approximately 250 left.

Friends have successfully fulfilled their pledge to school for this academic year and the treasurers and I have agreed with the Business Manager that we will continue with the same level of support for school next year. Namely, we have agreed that for the year 2025/26, Friends will give to school £20,000 from our fundraising account and £45,000 from our donations account.

Donations into the Donations Scheme are currently slightly lower than they have been, but we understand that contributions fluctuate sometimes and are confident that they will rise again in future. Many thanks for everyone's continued support for this scheme. It makes such a huge difference and when the scheme does well, it takes a little pressure off fundraising.

Thank you to all parents, carers and Friends who have supported this year's fundraising endeavours. It is such a phenomenal effort, and it feels like a lot, but it is deeply appreciated and is such a crucial support to our beautiful school. Particular thanks to all those who shouldered responsibilities at these events to ensure that they came together and were successful. Without these special people willing to do that little bit more, none of this would be possible.

Having filled this post for the last six years, I am now looking for the next Chair of the Friends Committee. Please do get in touch if you are interested in this role.

With much gratitude for this incredible school community,

Sophy Simpson
Chair of Friends

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

1st Oct 2023

To

30 September 2024

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
DONATIONS	53,138	-	-	53,138	47,120
FUNDRAISING	41,191	-	-	41,191	29,439
SCHOOL SHOP	9,946	-	-	9,946	8,783
BANK INTEREST	21	-	-	21	17
HOLDING FUNDS	-	109	-	109	224
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	104,296	109	-	104,405	85,582
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	104,296	109	-	104,405	85,582
A3 Payments					
FUNDRAISING COSTS	12,561	-	-	12,561	9,484
PROFESSIONAL FEES	153	-	-	153	140
BANK CHARGES	-	-	-	-	-
OTHER DIRECT COSTS	535	-	-	535	395
SHOP EXPENDITURE	8,304	-	-	8,304	8,836
DONATIONS TO SCHOOL	73,870	-	-	73,870	66,692
OUTSIDE INITIATIVES	1,000	-	-	1,000	-
COMMITTEE EXPENSES	-	-	-	-	-
TRAINING	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	96,423	-	-	96,423	85,546
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	96,423	-	-	96,423	85,546
Net of receipts/(payments)	7,873	109	-	7,982	36
A5 Transfers between funds					
A6 Cash funds last year end					
Cash funds this year end	60,430	1,974	-	62,404	54,422

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	CASH & BANK	60,430	1,974	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Total cash funds	60,430	1,974	-
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £

B2 Other monetary assets

Details	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

B3 Investment assets

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
Shephaerds Hut	2000	-	-
Cupboards	280	-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
R. Thorne	Richard Thorne	10 June 2025



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Friends of the Steiner Academy Hereford

**On accounts for the year
ended**

30 September 2024

**Charity no
(if any)**

1135990

Set out on pages

Sections A and B of CC16a: receipts & payments accounts for year ending 30 September 2024 and the statement of liability and assets as at 30 September 2024

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **30/09/2024**.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 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:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

Signed:

Date:

14th June 2025

Name:

Timothy Greenhalgh

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

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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight 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.

THE PARENT AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION OF THE STEINER ACADEMY HEREFORD

England & Wales - Charity number 1135990

Accounts

Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	1st Oct 2022	To	30th Sep 2023
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
DONATIONS	47,120	-	-	47,120	49,808
FUNDRAISING	29,439	-	-	29,439	27,822
SCHOOL SHOP	8,783	-	-	8,783	10,795
BANK INTEREST	17	-	-	17	1
HOLDING FUNDS	-	224	-	224	234
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total(Gross income for AR)	85,358	224	-	85,582	88,660
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	85,358	224	-	85,582	88,660
A3 Payments					
FUNDRAISING COSTS	9,484	-	-	9,484	10,626
PROFESSIONAL FEES	140	-	-	140	116
BANK CHARGES	-	-	-	-	-
OTHER DIRECT COSTS	320	75	-	395	1,443
SHOP EXPENDITURE	8,836	-	-	8,836	6,462
DONATIONS TO SCHOOL	66,692	-	-	66,692	62,567
OUTSIDE INITIATIVES	-	-	-	-	-
COMMITTEE EXPENSES	-	-	-	-	-
TRAINING	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	85,471	75	-	85,546	81,215
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	85,471	75	-	85,546	81,215
Net of receipts/(payments)	113	149	-	36	7,446
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	52,557	1,865	-	54,422	54,387

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	CASH & BANK	52,557	1,865	-
		-	-	-

	-	-	-
Total cash funds	52,557	1,865	-

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

B2 Other monetary assets

Details	OK Unrestricted funds to nearest £	OK Restricted funds to nearest £	OK Endowment funds to nearest £
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

B3 Investment assets

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
Shepherds Hut	2000	-	-
Cupboards	280	-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval



**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

**Independent examiner's report
on the accounts**

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of** Friends of the Steiner Academy Hereford

On accounts for the year ended 30 September 2023 **Charity no (if any)** 1135990

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Responsibilities and basis of report

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Signed:  **Date:** 2nd May 2024

Name: Timothy Greenhalgh

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Section B Disclosure

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

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Chair's Annual Report July 2023/24

The healthy social life is found when, in each human soul, the whole community finds its reflection, and when, in that community, the virtue of each one is living.

Dear Parents and Friends of the Steiner Academy Hereford. I am pleased to report that we have had another very successful year of fundraising by our school community. Please know that your precious time, outstanding efforts and heartwarming commitment to these fundraisers is truly phenomenal and really rather unique.

Every year we are amazed how individuals from our parent body step up and take on the organisation of large events, often without quite as many volunteers as are really needed. They create and oversee beautiful community moments, shouldering fair amounts of stress in the process. These people are not (usually) professional event organisers or caterers. They are hero volunteers, doing their very best for the benefit of our community and all our children.

Thank you to all those who took on the responsibility for organising an event this year. And thank you to all those who volunteered for a shift or few, helped pick apples, donated items to raffles and the promise auction, baked cakes or paid for ingredients, grew some extra plants, drove minibuses, did car park marshalling, as well as the myriad other ways people contributed this year. Thank you to all of you.

Thanks also go to everyone who took on the role of class rep this year. You are fantastic at encouraging and coordinating parent volunteers for these events. Please appreciate them and continue to do all you can to support them by filling rotas and responding to requests in a timely fashion!

A special Thank You goes to Siwan Gillick this year. Siwan has finished her fourth year in the role of Rep's Rep, overseeing and guiding all the reps; knowing how things work, where things are and what has to be done. You have been so valuable in this role and we are incredibly grateful for all your hard work! This role is now being taken over by Kate Potter – thank you Kate!

Our own committee is changing from next year too. Richard Thorne, our treasurer, is stepping down and these shoes will be filled by Mike Barnes and Barbara Turlej, pending their successful election at the AGM. The role of treasurer is not a small job, and Richard has been brilliant these last six years. Many, many thanks for all your time Richard!

Here is a little summary of the main fundraisers that happened this year.

September

A beautiful sunny day for apple picking at school and Colin Crawford's. The apples were juiced at Carey Organic Farm again, with nearly 500 bottles of juice ready for the Harvest supper on 14 October.

October

Class 3's Harvest Supper was a huge success, with delicious food, gorgeous dancing and an exciting raffle.

November

The Advent Fair was held at school again, with an adult-only Friday shopping evening followed by the main event on Saturday. The school looked breathtakingly beautiful on Friday evening, with candle-lit pathways leading up to Birch Hall which was bursting with attractive craft stalls. The smell of mince pies and mulled wine filled the air, as did the festive sound of carollers. The following day was bright and bustling as King Winter charmed visitors and guided them to the Snow Queen's magical grotto. There were wreaths to build, gingerbread men to decorate, and beeswax candles to dip. There were raffle prizes galore and a huge volume of cake was consumed! Profits came in at £6,700. Well done to Kate Potter and the Advent Fair team for such a successful weekend.

February

Class 5's Wassail was a very enjoyable afternoon. We ate soup and bread, we sang to the trees, we blessed them and we banged our pots and pans to chase away any evil spirits.

March

The Promise Auction ended with a very exciting final few hours of bidding; what a fantastic and generous selection of donated items, experiences and services there was. Huge gratitude to everyone who offered something and those who bid. Another wonderful success, raising £8,300 in funds.

April

The Spring Fair fell in late April this year. It was a beautiful day of activities, stalls and delicious food. A lovely opportunity for the community to come together and celebrate the changing seasons.

June

Hellens Manor garden festival took place as usual in early June. Once again, this required a large number of volunteers to cover kitchen shifts, staff the children's activities and transport plants, etc. Sometimes we may wonder whether this event requires too much effort, too much travel and too much planning. However, the figures speak volumes. This is a very profitable event for us and it requires no marketing on our part. Enormous gratitude to Dorian Kirk and The Rule of Tum for giving their time in preparing the food; to Tom Morgan for running the kitchen for the weekend; to Mina and Faye for baking a very large quantity of delicious cake; and of course to Cori Cruse for overseeing and holding the whole weekend. Profits came in at over £6,000.

July

Coming up on July 6 is our last event of the year, the Summer Fair. We are very much looking forward to this whole-school fundraiser, led by Class 4. Fingers crossed for fine weather as it promises to be a fun day out for all the family.

Our school calendar is jam-packed with fundraising events. The funds generated by these are not simply a welcome supplement to our school's finances. They do not merely allow us to buy better quality materials. They are absolutely crucial in maintaining smaller class sizes and LSA numbers, among other things. Without this significant fundraising and the monthly donations made by parents as part of our donations scheme, the school's provision would look very different. So once again, heartfelt thanks to all those who give their time, their money and their goodwill towards supporting our school's finances and community, for the benefit of all our children.

This year, Friends has fulfilled its commitment to pass over to school £19,000 from our fundraising account and £40,500 from our donations account. Friends has also contributed £10,000 towards the purchase of a new minibus. We will soon be launching an additional fundraising campaign specifically for the necessary purchase of a second new minibus. So next year promises to be another busy year!

On account of rising costs, and in the absence of a

corresponding increase in Government funding, Friends has agreed to increase our pledge for next year to £20,000 from our fundraising and £45,000 from our donations scheme. We are gratefully confident that we expect to enjoy similar levels of support from parents and friends of our community in raising these vital funds.

Please remember that you can support the school in many different ways, including giving your time to the community workdays, playing the Friends lottery and using our school shop. The shop continues to be well used, with profits going to support the provision of therapies in school.

The verse at the top of this report is the verse we say at the start of every Friends meeting. These words really ring true for me. We have so many different skills within our community and when we all contribute, amazing things can be achieved for our community, while also giving ourselves a valuable feeling of being part of something meaningful. These days, many people lack real community. I'm so grateful that ours is rich and strong. Have a wonderful summer break.

Sophy Simpson
Chair
Friends of the Steiner Academy Hereford

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Accounts

Friends of the Steiner Academy Hereford
Chair's Annual Report 2022/2023 – 7 July 2023

Fundraising hit the ground running at the beginning of the academic year 2022/23. By the end of September, a bumper crop of apples had been harvested from the school orchard and also from Colin Crawford's trees. The resulting 786 bottles of juice were stashed away for selling at future events and stocking the school shop.

In early October Kindergarten parents and children took part in a sponsored mud run at Eastnor Castle, smashing their fundraising target for the year and having a fun day out at the same time. Well done!

Class 3 hosted a beautiful Harvest Supper in mid October. The food was delicious and we got the first taste of the new apple juice. The Ceilidh band got everyone up on their feet after dinner for a good dance, with much fun and merriment had by all.

The Advent Fair took place at the start of December, at school for the second year running. This year there was a Friday evening, adults-only shopping event, with the main affair on Saturday. There was wreath making, candle dipping, gingerbread decorating, carol singing, a visit from the Snow Queen and much, much more! Huge thanks to everyone for all the hard work that went into this whole school fundraiser. Profits came in at £5285.

Class 5 blew the cobwebs away at the end of January with a jolly Wassail. We were joined by the Gidderskins Morris who danced for us and lead our procession to bless the school orchard. We sang to trees, banged our pots and pans at them, fed them bread soaked in cider and adorned them with ribbons. There was tasty food, spiced apple juice and a very successful raffle!

In February Class 6 held a car boot sale at Redbrook farm, raising money for both Friends and the farm.

Classes 1 and 2 ran this year's Spring Fair and what a wonderful family day out it was. The sun shone and there was cake galore, delicious lunches, stalls, egg decorating, sheep to pet, lots of face painting, an Easter trail and the ever-popular paint bike.

In early May Class 8 held their annual Duck Race at the Bridge Inn in Kentchurch. It was a beautiful sunny day and we all enjoyed cheering on the ducks nearly as much as we enjoyed watching the volunteers fall in the river.

The Open Day was a lovely community event with many of the parents being able to gather to watch the classes perform a little song or poem, followed in the afternoon by a delightful May celebration. This is our community (non-fundraising) event, with bring and share high tea, maypole dancing, and flower crown making.

In the May half term Circus Raj came to town. This was an Arts Alive event and was a thoroughly entertaining afternoon. Despite being warned against trying some of the tricks ourselves, there were plenty of children who left feeling very inspired by what they had seen. The ice cream and delicious street food were provided by Class 10 as a fundraiser.

June saw our school return to Hellens Garden Festival to run the Steiner Diner and the children's activities. This was, yet again, an incredibly successful fundraiser. Everything looked and tasted fantastic. Huge thanks go to Faye Clark and her loyal helpers, and Siwan for the massive amount of work they did for this event. It would not have happened without them. Thanks of course also to ALL of the parents who volunteered that weekend. It's a busy time of year and everyone is beginning to suffer a little from fundraiser's fatigue, so it's fantastic that we can still all come together for the benefit of our school. This event brought in a whopping £5,500 profit, so it was well worth the effort!

In addition to the events mentioned here, money was raised at many other times throughout the year, including through cake sales, plant stalls and providing refreshments for other Arts Alive events. Always excellent fundraisers!

Throughout the year there have also been several community work days, where parents have given their time to come and care for the school grounds. So much is achieved on these days and they are such a valuable way to support the school, showing our children how we care for their environment while giving us a sense of investment and ownership. The camaraderie and refreshments make them very enjoyable too. Many thanks to all who took part this year.

Class 4 are busy organising the summer fair for 8 July, which promises to be another fun day out. There will be alpacas to stroke and ponies to ride, Pizza and popcorn for munching, and the water slide and ice creams to cool us down. Fingers crossed for fine weather!

After a fall in the donations that Friends was receiving from parents during the Covid era, we are pleased to say that these are now on the increase again. So far this year, Friends has received an impressive £30,000 through our monthly donation scheme. The school shop has also been successful, with £3,000 of profits from this being given over to school this year to support the therapies on offer. The Friends lottery continues to be a good fundraiser, but we would still like to see it grow further.

Last week, the Friends Treasurer and I met with the Business Manager to agree the funds that Friends will pass to school for the next academic year 23/24. We decided that we are in a position to increase the amount we give from the donations account from £39,000 to £40,500. From September 2023, we will also be asking classes to increase the amount they raise for Friends through fundraising. We will now be asking the Kindergartens to raise £1200 between them, while Classes 1 - 10 are requested to raise £700. The extra £1200 raised in this way will also be passed to school, to help mitigate the ever-rising costs that it faces.

As you can see, this year has been absolutely packed with fundraising. It can feel relentless at times, especially if you have children in multiple classes. Friends would like to acknowledge the hard work and dedication that parents put into this side of school life, and also to give a special mention to all the class Reps, and Siwan in particular, for organising, coordinating and overseeing all these events. We seem to be fairly unique in what we achieve in this area. People I speak to often can't believe how much we raise for our school in this way. We are so proud to be part of a community that is dedicated to coming together for the benefit of all our children. Thank you to each and every one of you for your ongoing support and goodwill.

Sophy Simpson – Chair.

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

1st Oct 2021

To

30th Sep 2022

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
DONATIONS	49,808	-	-	49,808	37,853
FUNDRAISING	27,822	-	-	27,822	33,092
SCHOOL SHOP	10,795	-	-	10,795	7,624
BANK INTEREST	1	-	-	1	1
HOLDING FUNDS	-	234	-	234	660
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total(Gross income for AR)	88,426	234	-	88,660	79,229
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	88,426	234	-	88,660	79,229
A3 Payments					
FUNDRAISING COSTS	10,626	-	-	10,626	7,030
PROFESSIONAL FEES	116	-	-	116	111
BANK CHARGES	-	-	-	-	-
OTHER DIRECT COSTS	1,443	-	-	1,443	2,175
SHOP EXPENDITURE	6,462	-	-	6,462	6,695
DONATIONS TO SCHOOL	62,567	-	-	62,567	57,900
OUTSIDE INITIATIVES	-	-	-	-	-
COMMITTEE EXPENSES	-	-	-	-	-
TRAINING	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	81,215	-	-	81,215	73,911
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	81,215	-	-	81,215	73,911
Net of receipts/(payments)	7,212	234	-	7,446	5,317
A5 Transfers between funds				-	
A6 Cash funds last year end	45,459	1,482	-	46,941	
Cash funds this year end	52,671	1,716	-	54,387	46,942

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	CASH & BANK	52,671	1,716	-
		-	-	-

	-	-	-
Total cash funds	52,671	1,716	-
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
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B2 Other monetary assets

Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

B3 Investment assets

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
Shephaerds Hut	2000	-	-
Cupboards	280	-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of** Friends of the Steiner Academy Hereford

**On accounts for the year
ended** 30 September 2022 **Charity no
(if any)** 1135990

Set out on pages Sections A and B of CC16a: receipts & payments accounts for year ending 30 September 2022 and the statement of liability and assets as at 30 September 2022

**Responsibilities and
basis of report** I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **30/09/2022**.
As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

**Independent
examiner's statement** 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 the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.
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:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

Signed:  **Date:** 19 June 2023

Name: Timothy Frank Greenhalgh

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

Address: Stone Barn, Old Gore, Ross-on-Wye, Herefordshire. HR9 7QW

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight 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.

THE PARENT AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION OF THE STEINER ACADEMY HEREFORD

England & Wales - Charity number 1135990

Accounts

Chair's Report for Friends of the Steiner Academy Hereford

1 July 2022

Report for the year October 2020 – September 2021

The academic year 2020 – 2021 was another year disrupted by the Covid-19 pandemic. However, our fantastic school community rose to the challenges this posed to fundraising opportunities and showed the pandemic what they were made of. Despite another long lockdown from January 2021, and most indoor events made impossible all year, our parent body got creative and managed an incredible year's fundraising, despite all the restrictions.

It was so wonderful to have all the children back into a fully open and functioning school for the Autumn term. However, we were still unable to hold indoor events or even the community workdays. There was no harvest supper, and we realised before long that we would be unable to hold an Advent Fair.

So, what did we do instead? We invented other ways to fundraise, some large, some small. Noah Hastings (Class 3) sold delicious apples from his garden, Paola and Geoffrey Jordan donated the sales of their Christmas trees, a couple of classes had tea towels printed with the children's self-portraits on, which made excellent Christmas gifts.

Some Kindergarten parents put a call out for donations to take to a car boot fair, as these were still permitted. Attending two car boots in October and November, and selling some bits online, over £600 was raised.

In lieu of an Advent Fair, an Advent promise auction was held. Members of our community donated, and bid on, promises exceptionally generously. The result was incredible: close to £8,000 was raised.

An outdoor, socially distanced, mini winter market was held at school in December, where people could collect their promises, drink warm apple juice around the fire, eat pancakes and mince pies, and make an Advent wreath. It was a really lovely, low-key community event, much needed at the time.

From late December 2020, the nation went into another long lockdown. Kindergarten parents carried on fundraising, however, with a virtual balloon race and a sponsored walk raising an impressive £488 and £690 respectively.

At the end of April Class 3 held a very successful plant stall at school, and on the May Bank Holiday, Class 6 held a duck race at the Bridge Inn in Kentchurch. It poured with rain and there weren't quite enough ducks to go round, but the food was good and everybody had a lot of fun anyway! Together with the plant stall that was there too, Class 6 managed to smash their target.

The children were all back in school for the summer term with lots of lessons, assemblies etc. held outside. The Hellens Garden Festival was able to go ahead in June. Although visitor numbers were restricted, the Steiner Diner sold all the food on the first day and more had

to be made quickly for the Sunday. As we were unable to run children's activities, the Kindergartens made up and sold craft kits, and the Elder Tree clothes sale did well. The remainder of the apple juice was sold both by the bottle and by the glass. Friends invested in a pair of card readers, which allowed for contactless payment – essential for socially distanced events. Overall profit was £3,690 – not at all shabby!

On July 3 we held the Summer Fair – it was absolutely wonderful to hold a social event at school again. The bunting came out and there were stalls, strawberries and cream, games, and ice lollies – not to mention an exceptionally roaring trade in tea and cake. We were treated to a visit from the Blackthorn Border Morris who entertained us with their songs and dancing, and Royal and Susanne brought their ever-popular paint bike. A thoroughly enjoyable and much-needed community get together!

Later in July school mum Beth Cameron took on the massive challenge of running the Offa's Dyke path without any support crew, wild camping along the way and enduring some serious hot weather, raising an impressive £1000 for our school – THANK YOU SO MUCH Beth! Individual initiatives like this make such a difference.

The new Autumn term allowed for the recommencement of community workdays and, as part of the Michaelmas workday, groups of parents again picked apples in Colin's orchard and also at school. The result was 450 bottles of delicious juice, all ready for the next year's fundraising efforts.

The lottery continues to grow slowly and the school shop sales are also doing very well. It has been decided that profits from the school shop will be used towards the provision of the various therapies that benefit those children who need them.

Unsurprisingly, the parent donations scheme remains below its pre-pandemic levels; nevertheless, Friends still received the very-much-appreciated sum of £38,000. Together with monies from fundraising, Friends has been able to fulfil its promise of passing £57,900 to school for this academic year.

The total amount raised by fundraising for the year was £26,000 – a truly remarkable figure, considering the restrictions in place. Well done to all those who worked hard to fundraise and a huge, heartfelt THANK YOU from your Friends Committee. Our children and this community are truly lucky to have such a supportive parent body.

Sophy Simpson
Chair



Receipts and pay

For the period
from

10/01/2020

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £
A1 Receipts		
DONATIONS	37,853	-
FUNDRAISING	33,092	-
SCHOOL SHOP	7,624	-
BANK INTEREST	1	-
HOLDING FUNDS	-	660
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	78,569	660

A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).		
	-	-
	-	-
Sub total	-	-

Total receipts	78,569	660
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A3 Payments		
FUNDRAISING COSTS	7,030	-
PROFESSIONAL FEES	111	-
BANK CHARGES	-	-
OTHER DIRECT COSTS	2,175	-
SHOP EXPENDITURE	6,695	-
DONATIONS TO SCHOOL	57,900	-
OUTSIDE INITIATIVES	-	-
COMMITTEE EXPENSES	-	-
TRAINING	-	-
Sub total	73,911	-

A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)		
	-	-
	-	-
Sub total	-	-

Total payments	73,911	-
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Net of receipts/(payments)	4,657	660
A5 Transfers between funds		
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-
Cash funds this year end	4,657	660

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the

Categories	Details
B1 Cash funds	CASH & BANK
Total cash funds	

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

Categories	Details
B2 Other monetary assets	

Categories	Details
B3 Investment assets	

Categories	Details
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Shephaerds Hut
	Cupboards

Categories	Details
B5 Liabilities	

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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of
all the trustees

Signature

R Thorne

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To	09/30/2021

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Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
-	37,853	47,569
-	33,092	18,845
-	7,624	5,135
-	1	8
-	660	751
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	79,229	72,308

-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-

-	79,229	72,308
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-	7,030	5,119
-	111	110
-	-	-
-	2,175	280
-	6,695	6,153
-	57,900	57,280
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	73,911	68,942

-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-

-	73,911	68,942
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-
-
-

5,317
-
-
5,317

3,366
-
-
3,366

end of the period

Unrestricted funds to nearest £

45,406
-
-
45,406

Restricted funds to nearest £

1,536
-
-
1,536

Endowment funds to nearest £

-
-
-
-

Unrestricted funds to nearest £

-
-
-
-
-
-

Restricted funds to nearest £

-
-
-
-
-
-

Endowment funds to nearest £

-
-
-
-
-
-

Fund to which asset belongs

Cost (optional)

-
-
-
-
-

Current value (optional)

-
-
-
-
-

Fund to which asset belongs

2000
280

Cost (optional)

-
-
-
-
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-

Current value (optional)

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Fund to which liability relates

Amount due (optional)

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-
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When due (optional)

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Print Name

Date of approval

Richard Thorne

Jul 1, 22

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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Friends of the Steiner Academy Hereford

On accounts for the year
ended

30 September 2021

Charity no
(if any)

1135990

Set out on pages

Sections A and B of CC16a; receipts and payments accounts for y/e
30 Sep 2021 and the statement of liability and assets as at 30 Sep 2021

Responsibilities and
basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above
charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **30 September 2021**.

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:

16 June 2022

Name:

Timothy Greenhalgh

Relevant professional
qualification(s) (if any):

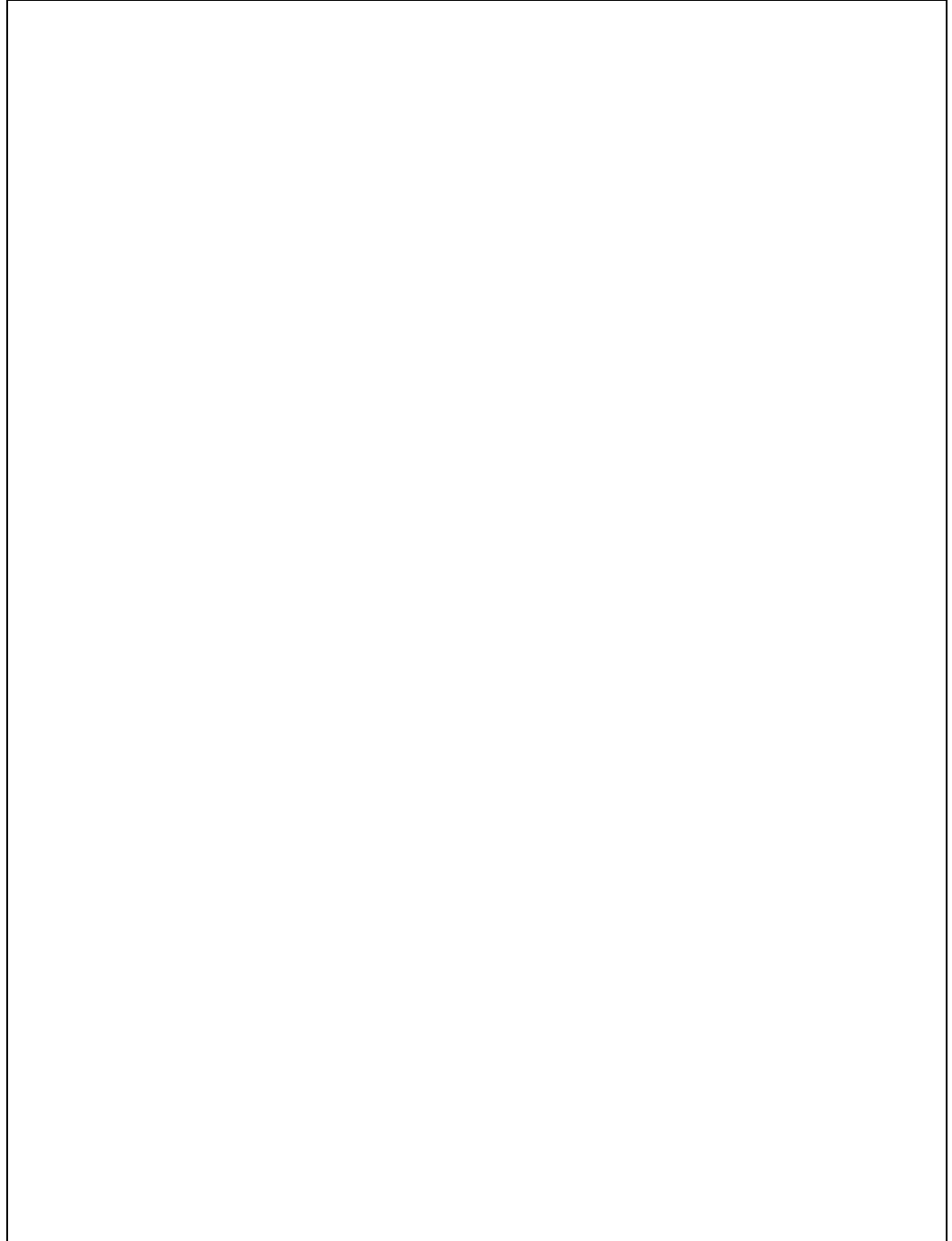
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The Rectory, Church Lane, Welford on Avon, Warwickshire
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Section B**Disclosure**

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THE PARENT AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION OF THE STEINER ACADEMY HEREFORD

England & Wales - Charity number 1135990

Accounts

Chair's Report for Friends of the Steiner Academy Hereford

October 2019 - September 2020

This year was no ordinary year, for anyone. Everything started normally but by March 2020 schools were closed, fundraising ceased and nearly everybody stayed at home during the global coronavirus pandemic. Our teachers and office staff carried on working hard of course, providing materials for remote learning, and in-school provision for those children of key workers and vulnerable families. The kitchen worked hard to supply and deliver food to families receiving free school meals also for the wider community, and later in the year the school's community food larder was busy receiving donations of food for those families hit by the hard times the pandemic caused for so many.

Financially, the year started very positively with donations to Friends at their highest ever levels in October and November 2019. The lottery had doubled its membership, Catherine Tester having worked hard to promote it. Once the pandemic got underway in the second half of the year, we saw an unsurprising drop in donations, both in the number of people donating and in the amounts that were given. This was, of course, most understandable as some people saw their income sources disappear overnight. Fingers crossed we will see these figures increase once again, when conditions allow.

We started the year by proudly celebrating 100 years of Steiner Waldorf Education on 19 September 2019. The children were involved in various activities to mark this occasion, including sending postcards all around the world to children in other Waldorf schools.

Class 3 kickstarted the fundraising year with a successful and very enjoyable Harvest Supper, raising a fantastic £1250.

October saw a community workday with lots of jobs ticked off the list and delicious food being provided by classes 5 and 8.

Then came the Advent Fair at the Shire Hall in Hereford. A beautiful, bustling and well-attended event that brought in just over £4,000 in profit.

Hot on the heels of the Advent Fair was the Advent Market held at school. A lovely, much quieter opportunity to purchase gifts and produce, make a wreath and so on.

In January there was a meeting held by the Principal, Kate Andrews, to discuss communications at school. Sadly, this was mostly only attended by other staff, governors and members of the Friends Committee.

While the world slowly ground to a halt and the UK entered its first lockdown towards the end of March 2020, the Kindergartens managed to squeeze in a very successful Promise Auction fundraiser in early March, which brought in £4975.

The only other fundraising event that was able to happen for the rest of the year was a trip to Colin Crawford's orchard in August 2020. Here, parents and children gathered apples which were taken to Carey farm for pressing and bottling. The result was 380 bottles of delicious, light apple juice, which will hopefully be sold and served at future fairs and events, as well as in the school shop.

Although most classes did not manage to achieve their fundraising goals of £600 per class and £1000 for the Kindergartens, the fundraising events that did go ahead were very successful and have brought in much-needed funds. Most classes did manage to raise some monies, and I'm sure that with more time they would have met their targets. Thanks to the brilliant fundraising efforts from previous years, Friends was nevertheless able to meet all its financial commitments due to the school this year.

It is very heartening to see the level of effort, commitment and hard work that comes from our parent community to support the education of our children and the health of our community life. On behalf of the Friends Committee, I would like to thank you all.

Sophy Simpson, Chair.



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Friends of the Steiner Academy Hereford

**On accounts for the year
ended**

30 September 2020

**Charity no
(if any)**

1135990

Set out on pages

Sections A and B of CC16a: receipts and payments accounts for y/e 30 Sep 2020 and the statement of assets and liabilities as at 30 Sep 2020.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **30th September 2020**.

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:

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- 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:

21 January 2021

Name:

Timothy Greenhalgh

**Relevant professional
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