

THE MARY WOOD TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 1144311

Details

Other names MWT

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 2011-10-17

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

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Activities

Objects: 1. TO PROVIDE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR EDUCATION AND TRAINING WITH A VIEW TO IMPROVING DISADVANTAGED YOUNG PEOPLE'S LIFE SKILLS AND OPPORTUNITIES IN UGANDA.2. TO ADVANCE EDUCATION AND RELIEVE POVERTY BY PROVIDING SPONSORSHIP, TRAINING, FUNDS OR ITEMS FOR DISADVANTAGED CHILDREN YOUNG PEOPLE AND THOSE IN NEED IN UGANDA.3. TO DEVELOP FACILITIES IN KINKIIZI, KANUNGU DISTRICT, IN PARTICULAR NYAKABUNGO GIRLS SECONDARY SCHOOL AND RUTH MEMORIAL SCHOOL IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE THE AIMS OUTLINED IN 1 AND 2.4. TO PROTECT AND PROMOTE THE HEALTH OF PATIENTS OF THE NYAKATARE HEALTH CENTRE (KANUNGU DISTRICT AND RUN BY THE CHURCH OF UGANDA, KINKIIZI DIOCESE) AND THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITY BY PROVIDING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE, AND ASSISTING IN THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES, HEALTH EDUCATION, SUPPORT SERVICES AND EQUIPMENT NOT NORMALLY PROVIDED BY THE STATUTORY AUTHORITIES. TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC IN HEALTH CARE BY THE PROVISION OF OUTREACHES AND EDUCATIONAL TALKS RELATED TO HEALTHCARE.

Activities: The Mary Wood Trust strives to advance education and relieve poverty by providing sponsorship, training funds and items for disadvantaged children, young people (especially girls and young women), and those in need in S W Uganda.It also helps to develop facilities in Kanungu District, and in particular at Ruth Memorial Nursery School and Nyakabungo Girls' Secondary School.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Education/training, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** OVERSEAS
- Uganda

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-05	£52,170	£48,408	-	-
2024-04-05	£82,007	£76,593	-	-
2023-04-05	£40,239	£38,267	-	-
2022-04-05	£38,352	£25,144	-	-
2021-04-05	£43,473	£32,145	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
CLARE RAMSDEN	Chair	2011-10-17
ANN JULIA GOVER		2011-10-17
Dr PETER JOHN CALDWELL WOOD		2011-10-27
KATHLEEN SMITH		2011-08-01
Philippa Hutchins		2019-03-01
RACHEL WOOD		2023-02-03

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Accounts

The Mary Wood Trust

Annual Report –2024/2025

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Charity Structure, Governance and Management

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Chairperson --Clare Ramsden

Treasurer — Dr Peter Wood

Trustees — Kath Smith, Ann Gover, Pippa Hutchins, Rachel Wood

Trustee selection method – By personal invitation and approval by existing trustees.

Our Aims and Objectives

- 1.To provide scholarships for education and training with a view to improving disadvantaged young peoples' life skills and opportunities in Uganda.
- 2.To advance education and relieve poverty by providing sponsorship, training, funds or items for disadvantaged children, young people, and those in need in Uganda.
3. To develop facilities in Kinkiizi, Kanungu district, in particular but not exclusively, at Nyakabungo Girls Secondary School (NGSS) and Ruth Memorial Nursery School (RMNS), in order to achieve the aims outlined in 1 and 2 above.

Three trustees' meetings were held during the year – in June, October and March, all via Zoom.

These regular meetings are essential for the smooth running of the charity. As well as keeping all the trustees up to date with the activities in Uganda, we also make decisions about finances, forward planning and how best to fulfil our aims and objectives.

There is full transparency about how our money is spent. We endeavour to make sure that the money we send out to Uganda, and spent there, is fully accounted for, receiving copies of receipts wherever possible.

Money sent for student sponsorship or building projects at NGBSS is channelled via the Diocese of Kinkiizi, where the contacts we have there are trusted and reliable, the relationship having been built up over many years. The fees for university and further education tuition are sent directly to the individual respected institutions. Where this is not possible the money is sent direct to the student and she sends a receipt to us for the fees paid.

The trustees all give their time freely for their involvement in the charity and any trips made by trustees to Uganda are totally self-funded.

Activities and Objectives

Activities over the past year

Ruth Memorial Nursery School (RMNS) is situated in Kihiihi. It continues to provide a basic primary education for approximately 75 young children from the local area. All the children come from poor families, many of whom have been affected by AIDS/HIV.

Ephraim Tumwesigye is the founder and director of the nursery school. It is named after his wife Ruth, who was a teacher, who sadly died in a traffic accident some years ago. He is a retired headteacher and he and his board of management (which includes family members) are responsible for the smooth running of the school. They make sure that all local guidelines and restrictions are followed. The school staff consists of a headteacher (who has some nursery qualifications and many years of experience) and 4 other women who are not formally trained. There is a night watchman, and we pay the salary for the cook.

It is a constant struggle to pay the staff as many parents and/or guardians cannot always afford the meagre fees that are charged. However, the children are assured of a good, nourishing meal each day as the Mary Wood Trust pays for the milk, maize flour, beans,

rice and pancakes which they receive. We are most grateful to a generous sponsor who enables this.

We have continued to pay for all the stationery needs that are requested as well as soap to help with ongoing hygiene. During our visit in April, we were able to hand over donated polo shirts for all the children, as well as new footballs, colouring books and pencils. Over the past year we have also mended a number of the outdoor metal seesaws. These break very easily with their constant use. It is hoped that in future there may be the chance to provide some more contemporary outdoor play equipment, made locally, which could withstand the energetic play of 75 young children.

Nyakabungo Girls Boarding Secondary School (NGBSS)

This is a Church of Uganda school, and it is the only girls' boarding school under the umbrella of the Diocese of Kinkiizi. Its rural situation, on sometimes impassable roads, makes it very difficult to access, particularly when it rains. This emphasises the importance of its boarding status as many students live some distance away.

The Mary Wood Trust has been involved with the school since 2002 and has continued to grow in its sponsorship of students and improving the infrastructure of the school. This is seen by all the additional buildings and facilities provided by the MWT over the past 22 years.

We continue to support 40 girls at the school, most of whom are chosen from very needy backgrounds. Many would not otherwise get the chance to continue their secondary education.

We provide mosquito nets to all new girls entering the school and we are also managing to continue with our commitment to provide sanitary towels to all girls and female teachers during term time. The new incinerator is now up and running and put to good use.

The sewing room is being well used, especially with the government's new policy on offering vocational subjects. We provide the salary for the part time sewing teacher.

Each year the school celebrates Mary Wood Day on March 8th to coincide with International Women's Day. We provide a cow for that day, so that the girls and staff

can enjoy a meal that includes meat which is a huge change from their daily diet of beans.

The school celebrated its 40th anniversary in 2024 and trustee Clare Ramsden (with her husband Oliver) were honoured to share in the celebrations to mark this event on April 16th. The newly formed school band were put through their paces and provided suitable music to mark the occasion. The new A- level and Fine Arts block, “Margaret Block”, was officially opened. This three class-roomed building was built using a donation from the Linden Trust, given in memory of Margaret Pearson, founder of the Linden Trust, and great supporter of the Mary Wood Trust. Providing this wonderful facility has given much needed classroom space as well as uplifting the status of the school.

Nyakatare Health Centre

Situated in Kanungu Town, NHC is a Diocesan Health Centre and provides good quality medical and maternity care to the local community. We continue to offer limited support to the health centre, recently financing the mending of the portable ultrasound machine. We continue to enable community health outreaches from the clinic where resources are taken out into the local villages. Most people have no form of transport and so by taking the services to the people they can receive ante- and post-natal care, family planning advice, HIV testing, dental and health education and child immunisation.

Further Education

The majority of the girls we sponsor at NGBSS, stay and take their A level exams. Many of them do well enough to be considered for further studies. We are in a position to be able to offer support to a few of those who wish to go on and study further at a local university. We have to make difficult decisions as to who to sponsor and this is usually done by choosing those with the best grades achieved in the exams. This year one of our girls is studying to be a lawyer and another has secured a place at Makerere University to study for a degree in Business Statistics.

We provide each girl with a reconditioned laptop and make sure that they have reasonable accommodation and adequate resources to study well. We also encourage some input from them and their families, so that everyone has a stake in the girls’ success.

We are very proud of all our girls who make it this far and we keep in touch with them and follow their progress.

Where possible the money for their fees is sent direct to the university. Where this is not practical the girls receive the money from us and then send us receipts from the university once the fees etc are paid. We are satisfied that the money we spend on these girls is well used and will benefit them in the long run.

Newsletters and raising awareness

It is very important to keep all our supporters up to date with what is going on with the charity and how we are spending the charity's money. This year we have sent out 2 newsletters and also published an article in the St Bartholomew's Church, Wilmslow, parish magazine. One of our trustees has also given a presentation to a Women's Institute group in Plumley.

Our supporters and regular donors are very loyal, and we are very grateful for this.

We also use Facebook as a way of updating our supporters on various events and activities that we are involved in.

Future Plans

At NGBSS there are a number of needs such as a providing a new main hall, and renovating an existing classroom block, which has leaking roofs and cracking walls. There is also a plan in place to introduce a bakery project and also a soap making enterprise when funds allow.

We will continue to provide sanitary products to all the girls at NGBSS as well as mosquito nets for all new students.

We hope to be able to offer more support to NHC, especially now that they have had substantially reduced funding because of the withdrawal of US Aid from Uganda.

Financial Review

Overview of the year Financial Review 2024/2025

We have continued to be blessed by receiving regular donations from many individuals.

Income

Our total income fell by £29,837 to £52,170, as in 2023-2024 we have received a sizeable one-off donation for the new A-level Block.

Principal sources of funds

Most of the Trust's income came from:

Charities - £7,200 (£7,000 from the Linden Trust and £200 from the Redsetter Trust)

Individuals - (direct giving - £26,671, via PayPal - £4,218)

HMRC - Gift Aid reclaimed - £4,707.

Interest on Investments - £4,988

eBay Sales - £163

Expenditure

Our expenditure of £48,408 is similar to levels two years ago.

Our main areas of expenditure were:

NGBSS Building work £15,091

Further Education Students - £10,287

NGBSS Student support - £9,684

Nyakatare Health Centre - £2,111

Ruth Memorial Nursery School Food etc - £4,794

Fundraising

Plant and cake stall

Presentation to women's group

e bay sales

Facebook marketplace

Reserve funds

In the unlikely event of the charity having to fold, we hold reserve funds specifically for this purpose. This would enable the charity to fulfil the commitments that we have made to the students at NGBSS, RMNS and the various institutes of further education, so that students could finish their respective educations.

How expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity.

By providing sponsorship for 40 girls at Nyakabungo Girls Boarding Secondary School (NGBSS), all of whom come from needy backgrounds, we are helping to ensure that they have a good secondary education and therefore a good start in life. This in turn

will improve the standard of their own families and hopefully uplift their whole communities in the future.

By providing mosquito nets each year to all students, we are ensuring that the girls have the best chance of staying healthy.

The provision of sanitary towels to all girls and women at the school ensures that no one is left in need and their dignity is maintained.

The improvements to the fabric of both NGBSS and Ruth Memorial Nursery School (RMNS), gives everyone a clean and safe environment for the children and young people to learn in.

Our continued ability to support some girls beyond NGBSS is hopefully going to produce useful and educated and informed citizens who will make a difference in their own families and the community beyond.

By providing daily food and milk for 75 children at RMNS we are ensuring that the children have daily nourishment. The provision of soap for hand washing helps to keep the children from becoming ill. Replacing broken play equipment and providing new footballs gives the children a chance to enjoy healthy exercise. Providing all the stationary needs for the school is important in keeping up the standards of the school.

Supporting Nyakatara Health Centre with its community health outreaches has a far-reaching benefit to the wider community.

Privacy Policy

The Mary Wood Trust has written a privacy policy which is available to view on our website.

The Mary Wood Trust		1144311	CC16a
Receipts and payments accounts			
For the period from	06/04/2024	To	

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					
AMAZON SMILE	-	-	-	-	22
CHARITABLE TRUSTS	-	7,200	-	7,200	35,200
CHURCH DONATIONS	-	1,000	-	1,000	975
CAF VOUCHER	-	590	-	590	320
DEPOSIT INTEREST	4,988	-	-	4,988	3,491
EBAY SALES	-	163	-	163	109
HMRC GIFT AID	1,956	2,751	-	4,707	3,984
PAYPAL GIVING FUND	128	1,505	-	1,633	2,514
PERSONAL DONATIONS	5,514	22,157	-	27,671	32,492
PERSONAL DONATIONS VIA PAYPAL	-	4,218	-	4,218	2,780
STEWARDSHIP	-	-	-	-	120
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	12,586	39,584	-	52,170	82,007
A2 Asset and investment sales					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	12,586	39,584	-	52,170	82,007
A3 Payments					
FURTHER EDUCATION	-	10,287	-	10,287	9,446
KINKIZI STUDENT SUPPORT	-	1,277	-	1,277	714
NYAKATARE HEALTH CENTRE	-	2,111	-	2,111	2,220
NGSS BUILDING WORK	-	15,091	-	15,091	41,203
NGSS FINE ARTS	-	843	-	843	597
NGSS KITCHEN	-	-	-	-	1,537
NGSS NETS	-	504	-	504	161
NGSS SAMARITAN	-	303	-	303	-
NGSS SANITARY PADS	-	1,401	-	1,401	1,417
NGSS SEWING ROOM	-	1,131	-	1,131	618
NGSS SPORTS	-	-	-	-	285
NGSS SUPPORT	-	9,684	-	9,684	9,463
RMS FOOD	-	4,794	-	4,794	4,462
RMS GENERAL	-	258	-	258	1,736
GENERAL	724	-	-	724	2,734
Sub total	724	47,684	-	48,408	76,593
A4 Asset and investment					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	724	47,684	-	48,408	76,593
Net of receipts/(payments)	11,862	(8,100)	-	3,762	5,414
A5 Transfers between funds	(41)	41	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	70,717	44,088	-	114,805	109,391
Cash funds this year end	82,538	36,029	-	118,567	114,805

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	CO-OP BANK (CURRENT)	7,910	-	-
	CO-OP BANK (SAVINGS)	10,657	-	-
	REDWOOD BANK (SAVINGS)	10,000	-	-
	CCLA (SAVINGS)	53,971	36,029	-
		82,538	36,029	

Total cash funds
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

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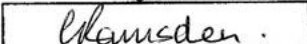

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Clare Ramsden	14/11/2025
	Peter Wood	14/11/2025



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

The Mary Wood Trust

**On accounts for the year
ended**

5th April 2025

**Charity no
(if any)**

1144311

Set out on pages

CC16a

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 05/04/2025.

**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 (~~other than that disclosed below~~*) 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.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date: 14/11/2025

Name:

George Large

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

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We held four trustees' meetings during the year, in May, September, December and March, all via Zoom, with regular communications throughout the year between the trustees and our beneficiaries and representatives in Uganda. The plan had been to have one in-person meeting but unfortunately illness made this impossible.

Holding regular meetings is essential for the smooth running of the charity. Keeping all the trustees up to date with the activities in Uganda and also making decisions about finances, forward planning and how best to fulfil our aims and objectives is very important.

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Activities Over The Past Year

Ruth Memorial Nursery School (RMNS) in Kihiihi continues to provide a basic primary education for approximately 75 young children from the local area. All come from poor families, many of whom have been affected by AIDS/HIV.

The founder, Ephraim Tumwesigye, is the director of the nursery school. He is a retired headteacher and he and his board of management (which includes family members) make sure that the nursery school runs smoothly and follows any local guidelines and restrictions. The school employs a head teacher (who has some nursery qualification) and 4 other ladies who are not formally trained. There is also a cook and night watchman.

The increased costs of food and other supplies have caused concern. Many of the children's families cannot afford to pay the small termly fees and this can sometimes be a problem when it comes to paying the staff.

The Mary Wood Trust continues to pay for the regular food and milk that the children receive every day, along with the firewood and salary for the cook. In this way we can be sure that the children do get some nourishment every day.

We have paid for stationary that is needed throughout the year and this year we have responded to other needs of the school - repairing the perimeter fence, replacing the chalk boards, painting the walls white as requested by the local council. We have also repaired the broken outdoor play equipment, renovated and revarnished the desks and replaced broken footballs. On our annual visit we hand out boiled eggs, biscuits and juice to all the children and the staff and this is very much appreciated.

The children now have a conducive environment to learn and play in and our regular visits there are greeted with great enthusiasm and joy.

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We support 40 girls at the school, most of whom are chosen from very needy backgrounds. Many would not otherwise get the chance to continue their secondary education. The Cliff Smith sewing room is a great asset to the school and we continue to pay the salary of the sewing teacher. It is hoped that in the future these vocational subjects might be taught up to an acceptable certificate level, allowing girls of all academic standards to leave school with a qualification.

The work on renovating Mary Hall - the female staff house - has at last been completed. With a rainwater collection scheme, an outdoor kitchen and solar power, it now provides 7 female staff with a pleasant and conducive place to live during term time.

We have provided smart sports kit for the girls taking part in football and netball.

We continue to provide mosquito nets for all the girls at the school and hope that they are being maintained and used sensibly.

We are fulfilling our commitment to providing sanitary towels to all the girls and female staff at the school and this is much appreciated. The building of a new incinerator is soon to be completed, paid for by a generous donor.

A new A-level and Fine Arts 3-classroom block is in the process of being built and will hopefully be ready for the celebrations that will take place on April 19th to celebrate 40 years since the school was first established.

Nyakatare Health Centre (NHC IV)

Situated in Kanungu Town, NHC is a Diocesan Health Centre and provides good quality medical care to the local community.

During the past year the health centre has had its status changed to a level 4 facility. There is a fully qualified doctor in charge now - Dr Joe Kalenzi.

Nexon Tusiime's role has changed, and he is now in charge of the HIV/AIDS department. The dental unit is still without a fully trained dentist which limits the extent of work that can be done. We offer support towards the salary of the dental assistant, and we have given out donated toothbrushes and toothpaste during the last trustees' visit. We provided a new air compressor for the dental chair so that it can now be used.

Taking the health service into the far-reaching communities has been an aim of NHC for some while. Family planning, child welfare, immunisation, HIV testing and dental health are all covered during these sessions. This is such an important service as many people do not have or cannot afford the transport to take them into town. By providing the money for these community outreaches, the Mary Wood Trust is participating in improving the health education and care of many people.

Past Students

We are fortunate to be in the position to be able offer support for further education to some of our sponsored students after they have taken their national exams. Unfortunately, we cannot offer this to all the girls which of course does make for some hard decisions.

We endeavour to keep in touch with all those we support in further education and meet with as many as we can on our annual trips.

We are satisfied that the money we spend on the girls is well used and to their benefit.

Newsletters and raising awareness

Over the past year we have sent out 2 newsletters, realising the importance of keeping our sponsors, supporters and friends up to date with our work out in Uganda. There has also been an article in the St Barts Parish Magazine in Wilmslow. We are fortunate to have a very loyal group of supporters.

Future Plans

Brass instruments and drums have been donated at NGBSS by the chair of the board of governors and her family, so that a marching band can be formed. It is hoped that this will raise the status of the school and provide another interest for the students. Up till now there has been no musical input at the school.

The new A-level and Fine Arts block is soon to be completed ready for its opening on April 19th. This is a wonderful project made possible due to a very generous donation from the

Linden Trust, given in memory of its founder Margaret Pearson. She was a great friend and supporter of the Mary Wood Trust. Along with a rainwater collection scheme, solar panels and new desks, it is hoped that this new three-roomed classroom block will attract many new girls to join the school.

Financial Review

Overview of the year 2023-2024

We have continued to be blessed by receiving regular donations from many individuals despite the fact of the economic downturn and hardship people face in these uncertain times. Our total income fell by £5,121, partly because a regular donation that we receive of £5,000 fell outside this financial year.

Principal sources of funds

Most of the Trust's income came from:

Charities - £35,200 (£35,000 from the Linden Trust and £200 from the Redsetter Trust)

Individuals - (direct giving - £32,492, via PayPal - £2,780)

HMRC - Gift Aid reclaimed - £3,984

Interest on Investments - £3,491

eBay Sales - £2,623

Expenditure

Our expenditure has doubled as a result of doing a major building project using money from the Linden Trust.

Our main areas of expenditure were:

NGSS Building work including A-level Block - £41,203

Further Education Students - £9,446

NGSS Student support - £9,463

Kinkiizi Nyakatara Health Centre - £2,220

Ruth Memorial Nursery School Food etc - £4,462

Fundraising

Face to face fundraising has resumed including a Plant and Cake sale which was a great success. Selling donated items on eBay and Facebook marketplace has continued to bring in substantial funds.

Despite all the uncertainties of life our regular supporters have continued their generous giving, whether it be helping with the running of RMNS, supporting individual girls at NGBSS, responding to specific support requests, providing university support, giving to the general fund. We are very grateful indeed.

Financial Policy

We have not worked through the Charity Commission self- assessment checklist this year but we are aware of the need to do it.

Reserve funds

We hold reserve funds in case the charity was to fold. This would enable the charity to fulfil the commitments that we have made to the students at NGBSS, RMNS and the various institutes of further education, so that students could finish their respective educations.

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The improvements to the fabric of both NGBSS and Ruth Memorial Nursery School (RMNS), gives everyone a clean and safe environment for the children and young people to learn in.

The provision of suitable staff accommodation at NGBSS is important in encouraging the teachers, showing that they are appreciated. Hopefully this will reflect in their caring approach to their teaching.

Our continued ability to support some girls beyond NGBSS is hopefully going to produce useful and educated and informed citizens who will make a difference in their own families and the community beyond.

By providing daily food and milk for 75 children at RMNS we are ensuring that the children have daily nourishment. Replacing broken play equipment and providing all the stationary needs for the school are important in keeping up the standards of the school.

Supporting Nyakatare Health Centre with its community health outreaches has a far-reaching benefit to the wider community.

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from **06/04/2023** To **05/04/2024**

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					
AMAZON SMILE	22	-	-	22	20
CHARITABLE TRUSTS	-	35,200	-	35,200	200
CHURCH DONATIONS	-	975	-	975	5,000
CAF VOUCHER	-	320	-	320	-
DEPOSIT INTEREST	3,491	-	-	3,491	1,321
EBAY SALES	-	109	-	109	598
HMRC GIFT AID	1,739	2,245	-	3,984	2,452
PAYPAL GIVING FUND	105	2,409	-	2,514	527
PERSONAL DONATIONS	11,749	20,743	-	32,492	26,405
PERSONAL DONATIONS VIA PAYPAL	74	2,706	-	2,780	1,696
STEWARDSHIP	120	-	-	120	2,020
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	17,300	64,707	-	82,007	40,239
A2 Asset and investment sales					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	17,300	64,707	-	82,007	40,239
A3 Payments					
FURTHER EDUCATION	-	9,446	-	9,446	7,157
FURTHER ED GOOD SAMARITAN FUND	-	-	-	-	36
KINKIIZI (Dental & NHC)	-	2,220	-	2,220	336
KINKIIZI STUDENT SUPPORT	-	714	-	714	1,724
NGSS BUILDING WORK	-	41,203	-	41,203	9,774
NGSS FINE ARTS	-	597	-	597	500
NGSS KITCHEN	-	1,537	-	1,537	284
NGSS NETS	-	161	-	161	-
NGSS SAMARITAN	-	-	-	-	236
NGSS SANITARY PADS	-	1,417	-	1,417	426
NGSS SEWING ROOM	-	618	-	618	367
NGSS SPORTS	-	285	-	285	-
NGSS SUPPORT	-	9,463	-	9,463	8,353
RMS FOOD	-	4,462	-	4,462	4,253
RMS GENERAL	-	1,736	-	1,736	2,481
UGANDA TRIP	-	-	-	-	2,000
GENERAL	2,734	-	-	2,734	340
Sub total	2,734	73,859	-	76,593	38,267
A4 Asset and investment					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	2,734	73,859	-	76,593	38,267
Net of receipts/(payments)	14,566	(9,152)	-	5,414	1,972
A5 Transfers between funds	(7,415)	7,415	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	63,566	45,825	-	109,391	107,419
Cash funds this year end	70,717	44,088	-	114,805	109,391

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	CO-OP BANK (CURRENT)	1,864	-	-
	CO-OP BANK (SAVINGS)	12,941	-	-
	REDWOOD BANK (SAVINGS)	-	10,000	-
	CCLA (SAVINGS)	55,912	34,088	-
	Total cash funds	70,717	44,088	

Total cash funds
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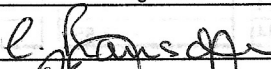

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B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Clare Ramsden	25/10/2024
	Peter Wood	25/10/2024



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

**On accounts for the year
ended** **Charity no
(if any)**

Set out on pages

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**Independent examiner's
statement** I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (~~other than that disclosed below~~*) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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Signed: **Date:**

Name:

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

Address:

THE MARY WOOD TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1144311

Accounts

The Mary Wood Trust

Annual Report- 2022/2023

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Treasurer — Dr Peter Wood

Trustees — Kath Smith, Ann Gover, Pippa Hutchins, Rachel Wood

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We have held four trustees' meetings during the year, all via Zoom, which included a special meeting in February 2023 to confirm Rachel Wood as a new trustee. It is good to have some new and younger blood join the team. We also invited the headteacher of NGSS to join us via Zoom for our May 2022 meeting. This was a great opportunity to show our continued support for the school and to involve her in some of our decision making.

These meetings are very important and enable us to discuss in detail about the running of the charity and also take important decisions regarding our various projects in Uganda and plans for the future. We are in regular communication with Kinkiizi Diocese and the head teachers of both NGSS and RMNS.

There is full transparency about how our money is spent, and we try our hardest to make sure that the money we send out to Uganda and is spent there is fully accounted for, endeavouring to get receipts wherever possible.

Money sent for student sponsorship or building projects at NGSS is channelled via the Diocese of Kinkiizi, where the contacts we have there are trusted and reliable, the relationship having been built up over many years. The fees for university and further education tuition are sent directly to the individual respected institutions.

The trustees receive no remuneration for their involvement in the charity and any trips to Uganda by trustees are totally self-financed.

Activities and Objectives

Activities over the past year

Ruth Memorial Nursery School (RMNS) in Kihiihi continues to provide a basic primary education for approximately 70 young children, from the local area. All come from poor families, many of whom have been affected by AIDS/HIV.

The founder Ephraim Tumwesigye is the director of the nursery School. He is a retired teacher and he and his board of management (which includes family members) make sure that the nursery school runs smoothly and follows any local guidelines and restrictions. The school employs a head teacher (who has some nursery qualification) and 5 other ladies who are not formally trained. There is also a cook and night watchman.

The increased costs of food and other supplies have caused concern. The termly fees for the children just about cover the cost of the staff if everyone pays.

The Mary Wood Trust provides money to pay for the regular food, milk and pancakes, as well as the firewood and the cook's salary. In this way we can be sure that the children do get some nourishment every day. We have also paid for stationary needed throughout the school year and replaced all the footballs that were damaged.

The laptop has been bought and solar panels have been installed throughout the classrooms and the office. We have also agreed to finance the building of a new pit latrine and to paint all the classroom walls white, as directed by the local authority.

Our visit to Uganda in March 2023 highlighted other needs at the school such as replacing broken blackboards, fixing holes in the boundary fence and fixing broken outdoor toys. We have agreed to finance these during the next school year.

Nyakabungo Girls Secondary School (NGSS)

This Church of Uganda school was founded in 1987. It is the only girls boarding school under the umbrella of the Diocese of Kinkiizi. Its rural situation, on sometimes impassable roads, makes it very difficult to access, particularly when it rains. This emphasises the importance of its boarding status as many students live some distance away.

The Mary Wood Trust has been involved with the school since 2002 and has continued to grow in its sponsorship of students and improving the infrastructure of the school. This is seen by all the additional buildings and facilities provided by the MWT over the past 22 years.

We are supporting 42 girls at the school. After Covid there was some reluctance among some parents to allow their girls to return. This was due mainly to the increase in the cost of living and thus increased school fees. The sponsorship fees are now £20 per month.

Large numbers of teachers have been on strike in the country, causing problems at school and science teachers won a huge pay rise, making it almost prohibitive for small schools to employ full time science teachers. There was also disruption at the school due to the Ebola crisis, when

the president closed all schools two weeks before the end of the third term. Fortunately, those girls sitting their A levels were allowed to stay to complete their exams.

The girls we support are all chosen because of their great need and their poor family backgrounds, some being more academic than others. The new curriculum that has been introduced includes more vocational subjects which suits those who are less academic.

The Cliff Smith sewing room (fully equipped with 13 sewing machines) is such a great asset to the school, particularly with the new curriculum. The girls are introduced to the basics of pattern making and sewing various useful garments. This is a skill that they will be able to take away with them to use in the future.

We have replaced some of the solar power equipment at the school which makes evening study more possible.

Fine Arts is still a very popular subject for girls to take at O level. We have continued to support this with regular finance to buy supplies that are being used. In March we saw plastic woven baskets that the students had made and were hopefully selling to raise funds so that the Fine Arts can be more self-supporting.

The renovation of the Female Staff House - Mary Hall - is nearing completion and will hopefully provide good and pleasant accommodation for 7 teachers.

After a very successful Christmas fundraising campaign we have been able to continue to supply sanitary towels for all girls and female teachers at the school. We also supply mosquito nets to all and trust that they are being used sensibly.

There is a plan in place to build a new incinerator, thanks to a generous donor.

Mary Wood Day was celebrated on March 11th 2023 when Clare and Oliver Ramsden were visiting. It was a good opportunity to see the ongoing renovation work at Mary Hall and to iron out a few queries. It was also a day when parents and guardians of Mary Wood Trust sponsored girls were invited to enjoy the speeches and dancing and prizegiving to girls who had achieved well in their exams. We donated a cow on that day so that everyone could enjoy a hearty meal.

Plans have been drawn up to build a new A level and Fine Arts Block at NGSS. This is a very exciting project and should provide a very attractive place for A level students to study and hopefully make the school more marketable. The building will be built in memory of a very good friend of the Wood family, who supported the work in Uganda for many years.

NGSS is very fortunate to have a dedicated and caring headteacher. Molly Musinguzi continues to run the school with a supportive staff. It is a challenging situation with all the increased costs but she strives to do her best. We invited her to join in our trustees Zoom meeting in May and this was a real benefit to us all.

We trust that this good relationship will continue for some time.

Nyakatare Health Centre (NHC 111)

Situated in Kanungu Town, NHC is a Diocesan Health Centre and provides good quality medical care to the local community.

During the past year the health centre has had its status changed to a level 4 facility. There is a fully qualified doctor in charge now - Dr Joe Kalenzi.

Nexon Tusiime's role has changed and he is now in charge of the HIV/AIDS department.

The dental unit is still without a fully trained dentist which limits the extent of work that can be done. We help towards the salary of the dental assistant and have agreed to provide a much needed air compressor for the dental chair and appliances.

Past Students

We are fortunate to be in the position to be able to provide support for further education to some of our sponsored students after taking their A levels. Unfortunately, we cannot offer this to all the girls which of course does make for some hard decisions.

We have one girl studying for a certificate in Nursing at Bwindi Nursing School, one girl at Bukalasa Agricultural College studying animal husbandry, one girl who we have set up in her own small tailoring business. 5 girls are at present at Bishop Barham Christian University in Kabale. Their subjects include Mass Communication, Public Administration and Management, Business Administration and Education. We are very proud of all our girls. Achieving all this under the circumstances that they study in is commendable.

Newsletters and raising awareness

It is always important to keep our supporters and friends up to date with how the work of the Mary Wood Trust is progressing. We have sent out 2 newsletters during the year and written an article for the St Barts Parish Magazine in Wilmslow.

Future Plans

Fundraising activities can begin again now that Covid restrictions are lifted. Trustees have plans for a Quiz Night and a Cake and Plant stall. These all help to raise both money as well as awareness of the charity and its work.

We are looking forward to the completion of the renovation work to Mary Hall (the female staff house) at NGSS.

The new A level and Fine Arts block at NGSS will be built this year, including a rainwater collection system. We hope to be able to provide solar power to this building as well.

A new incinerator will be built at NGSS.

Financial Review

Overview of the year Financial Review 2022 - 2023

We have continued to be blessed by receiving regular donations from many individuals despite the fact of the economic downturn and hardship people face in these uncertain times. Our total income rose by a modest £1,887.

Principal sources of funds

Most of the Trust's income came from individuals (Direct - £26,405; via PayPal - £1,696), HMRC – Gift Aid reclaimed - £2,472, eBay Sales - £598, and £5,200 from 2 other charities.

Expenditure

Our expenditure has been more than 2021 – 2022 as we embarked on a renovation project of the female Staff House, and as students returned to their studies with the opening of schools etc, amounts spent increased in most areas.

Our main areas of expenditure were:

Further Education Students	- £7,157 (£7,703 last year)
NGSS Student support	- £8,546 (£5,634 last year)
Nyakatare Health Centre	- £336 (£3,974 last year)
Ruth Mem. School daily food	- £4,279 (£2,443 last year)
NGSS Building Fund	- £9,774 (£2,454 last year)

Fundraising

Selling donated items on eBay and Facebook marketplace has continued to bring in substantial funds. Purchasing items on the internet Amazon smile, and other schemes also raises a small amount of money.

We are thankful that our regular supporters have continued their generous giving, whether it be helping with the running of RMNS, supporting individual girls at NGSS, responding to specific support requests, providing university support, giving to the general fund. We are very grateful indeed.

Financial Policy

We have worked through the charity Commission Self – assessment checklist and checked that we are complying with all that is required of the charity.

Reserve funds

We hold reserve funds in case the charity was to fold so as to enable the commitments that we have made to the students at NGSS, RMNS and the various institutes of further education to finish their respective education.

How expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity.

By providing sponsorship for 42 girls boarding at Nyakabungo Girls Secondary School (NGSS), all of whom come from needy backgrounds, we are helping to ensure that they have a good secondary education and therefore a good start in life. This in turn will improve the standard of their own families and hopefully uplift their whole communities.

By providing mosquito nets each year and supporting the sick bay and nurse, we are ensuring that the girls are being cared for when sick and hopefully learning to keep themselves safe. By providing sanitary towels to all girls and women at the school we are helping to boost their self-esteem.

The improvements to the fabric of both NGSS and Ruth Memorial Nursery School (RMNS), will give a clean and safe environment for the children and young people to learn in.

The provision of decent male and female staff accommodation at NGSS is encouraging for the teachers themselves, showing that they are appreciated and hopefully this will help them to be more caring teachers.

By providing daily porridge, pancakes, and milk for 70 children at RMNS we are ensuring that the children have daily nourishment. Replacing broken play equipment and providing all the stationary needs for the school are important in keeping up the standards of the school.

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FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name

The Mary Wood Trust

No (if any)

1144311

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

06/04/2022

To

05/04/2023

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					
AMAZON SMILE	20	-	-	20	29
CHARITABLE TRUSTS	-	200	-	200	300
CHURCH DONATIONS	5,000	-	-	5,000	300
DEPOSIT INTEREST	1,321	-	-	1,321	1,024
EBAY SALES	119	479	-	598	2,177
GIVE AS YOU LIVE/CASHBACK	-	-	-	-	17
HMRC GIFT AID	791	1,661	-	2,452	4,786
PAYPAL GIVING FUND	-	527	-	527	53
PERSONAL DONATIONS	8,542	17,863	-	26,405	27,977
PERSONAL DONATIONS VIA PAYPAL	-	1,696	-	1,696	1,658
STEWARDSHIP	-	2,020	-	2,020	31
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	15,793	24,446	-	40,239	38,352
A2 Asset and investment sales					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	15,793	24,446	-	40,239	38,352
A3 Payments					
FURTHER EDUCATION	-	7,157	-	7,157	7,703
FURTHER ED GOOD SAMARITAN FUND	-	36	-	36	269
KINKIIZI (Dental & NHC)	-	336	-	336	3,974
KINKIIZI STUDENT SUPPORT	-	1,724	-	1,724	1,187
KISHIIZI STUDENT SUPPORT	-	-	-	-	53
NGSS BUILDING FUND	-	9,774	-	9,774	2,454
NGSS FINE ARTS	-	500	-	500	-
NGSS KITCHEN	-	284	-	284	-
NGSS SAMARITAN	-	236	-	236	-
NGSS SANITARY PADS	-	426	-	426	494
NGSS SEWING ROOM	-	367	-	367	-
NGSS SUPPORT	-	8,353	-	8,353	5,634
RMS PORRIDGE	-	4,253	-	4,253	2,443
RMS GENERAL	-	2,481	-	2,481	747
UGANDA TRIP	-	2,000	-	2,000	-
GENERAL	340	-	-	340	186
Sub total	340	37,927	-	38,267	25,144
A4 Asset and investment					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	340	37,927	-	38,267	25,144
Net of receipts/(payments)	15,453	(13,481)	-	1,972	13,208
A5 Transfers between funds	(1,000)	1,000	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	49,113	58,306	-	107,419	94,211
Cash funds this year end	63,566	45,825	-	109,391	107,419

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	CO-OP BANK (CURRENT)	7,827	-	-
	CO-OP BANK (SAVINGS)	5,739	22,824	-
	REDWOOD BANK (SAVINGS)	50,000	23,000	-
	VIRGIN MONEY (SAVINGS)	-	1	-
	Total cash funds	63,566	45,825	

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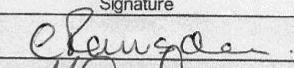
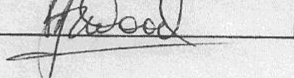
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		-	-	-

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B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

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B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Clare Ramsden	07/09/2023
	Peter Wood	07/09/2023



Section A

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Signed:

Date:

07/09/2023

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George Large

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Accounts

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Annual Report- 2021/2022

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Once again Covid restrictions both here in the UK and in Uganda have had a major impact on our meetings and also on our fundraising and of course for the educational institutions and students that we support in Uganda. Our three Trustees' meetings have continued to be held on Zoom and this may become more of a trend into the future, saving both travelling time and costs. Despite not having met in person these meetings have been very important and enabled discussions and decisions to take place regarding our various projects in Uganda and how to plan for the future.

There is full transparency about how our money is spent, how to promote the charity and keep our supporters informed, and how to communicate fully with our friends and contacts in Uganda. We try our hardest to make sure that the money we send out to Uganda and spent there is fully accounted for, endeavouring to get receipts wherever possible. Any money sent for student sponsorship or building projects at NGSS is channelled via the Diocese of Kinkiizi, where the contacts we have there are trusted and reliable, the relationship having been built up over many

years. The fees for university and further education tuition are sent directly to the individual respected institutions.

Due to the continuing pandemic and health concerns, there has not been a trustees visit to Uganda this year. However there have been regular communications with Kinkiizi Diocese, the headteacher of NGSS, the director of RMNS, the bursar of Bishop Barham Christian University (BBCU) and all our further education students, continuing to reinforce the strong links that we already have.

Activities and Objectives

Activities over the past year

Ruth Memorial Nursery School (RMNS) in Kihiihi continues to provide a basic primary education for approximately 70 young children, aged 2 to 9 years. The founder Ephraim Tumwesigye is the director of the nursery school. He and his board of management (which includes family members) make sure that the nursery school runs smoothly and follows any local guidelines and restrictions. The school employs a head teacher (who has some nursery qualification) and 4 other ladies who are not formally trained. There is also a cook and night watchman. The pandemic has caused chaos regarding the ability of the nursery school to open. The president has been very strident in his addresses to the nation, laying out the strict rules regarding closures, curfews, and safety protocols. The school had to remain closed for the second half of 2021, only fully reopening again in January 2022.

The extended school closure caused us great concern with regard to the welfare of both the children and the staff. We once again provided some food support for all the children and their families and also the staff, (flour, rice, beans, and maize), which was much appreciated by all.

Since January we have continued to provide the masks and hand sanitising equipment required, as well as the daily porridge, pancakes, and milk which the children enjoy and need so much. We also provide the firewood, transport, and salary for the cook, as well as the stationery required throughout the year. To facilitate the smooth running of the nursery school we have financed a laptop for the director and solar lights throughout the classrooms and office. We are most grateful to a private sponsor who continues to make all this possible.

Nyakabungo Girls Secondary School (NGSS)

This Church of Uganda school, which was founded in 1987, is the only girls boarding school under the umbrella of the Diocese of Kinkiizi. Its rural situation, on sometimes impassable roads, makes it very difficult to

access, particularly in the wet season. This emphasises the importance of its boarding status as many students live some distance away.

The Mary Wood Trust has been involved with the school since 2002 and has continued to grow in its sponsorship of students and also improving the infrastructure of the school. This is seen by the additional buildings and facilities provided by the MWT over the past 20 years.

Education for the 42 girls that we support has been severely disrupted once again this year with the school closing in July 2021 on the orders of the President. However, girls preparing for their O and A levels were able to return before others, with strict Covid protocol being observed. When NGSS reopened fully in January 2022 the numbers of girls returning overall was reduced by 10, due to marriage, pregnancy, or the need to be in employment. The girls we support are all chosen because of their great need and their poor family backgrounds, some being more academic than others.

It has been a very stressful and worrying time for students and staff alike. With no home schooling possible and for many locally employed teachers no salary during school closure times. We therefore provided some occasional support to the teachers, which we know was much appreciated.

The school was fully open again in January 2022, once all the teachers and other adults had had two doses of the vaccine. We provided mosquito nets to all new entrants and the Samaritan Fund, administered by the headteacher, is available to any girl who needs extra support with buying school uniform or other requirements at the start of term. It was also agreed that we would offer free sanitary towels to all the girls and female staff for the whole school year. The inability to buy this essential item is often a reason why a girl may not return to school at the start of term. We hope to continue to provide this support as long as we can, making NGSS the only school in the area which helps in this particular way.

During these rather unsettled times we have however managed to provide further supplies to the Fine Arts Room, and we have also funded further training for the teachers on the new curriculum and also online learning. It is doubtful that this type of learning could ever be successfully offered at NGSS, due to its remote location and lack of internet connectivity.

The Cliff Smith sewing room is now fully stocked with machines. It is a wonderful resource for the school. Unfortunately, the previous sewing teacher left during the year to go on to further studies. A new teacher has been found and we have continued to pay her salary.

Thankfully the connection of the school to local spring is still holding well and the girls are no longer having to go outside the school grounds to collect water in the dry season.

The future of the female staff accommodation, Mary Hall, is still under discussion with no firm decisions having been made yet. This requires further discussion with the teachers and the board of governors, to see what is in the best interests of the school as a whole.

Mary Wood Day and International Women's Day were jointly celebrated at the school on March 8th. All 5 MWT trustees put together a video that was relayed to the school on the day, expressing our thanks to the staff and to the girls for their resilience during these difficult times and congratulating them on their hard work. We provided a cow so that all the staff and girls could enjoy a meat meal, making a welcome change from their daily bean stew.

The headteacher, Molly Musinguzi, has kept us well informed during these difficult Covid times and the school is fortunate to have such a caring, concerned and committed leader.

Nyakatare Health Centre (NHC 111)

Situated in Kanungu Town, NHC is a Diocesan Health Centre and provides good quality medical care to the local community.

The clinical officer, Nexon Tusiime, is a good communicator and works hard to keep the facility running smoothly. It provides regular immunisation clinics and check-ups for mothers and babies as well as outpatient consultations, inpatient care, and simple dental assessments. The health care workers were among the first to be vaccinated during the pandemic. The Dental Unit (which we have had a particular interest in) continues to struggle, with only a dental nurse in attendance. This limits the procedures that can be offered. We understand that some of the dental equipment is in need of repair. We have sent occasional support to help pay the dental assistant's small salary. Regular community outreaches have been severely limited because of Covid 19.

Past Students

We continue to offer support to a number of our MWT sponsored students as they progress on to Further Education. Unfortunately, we cannot offer this to all our MWT sponsored girls and so usually have to choose those with the highest grades.

Once again Covid has caused havoc with their studies with closures of all institutions of learning for some time. Online learning was the only option for the university students and so we helped provide them with laptops and mobile phones and data. This still wasn't easy for those in remote villages where internet access was non-existent.

Despite all these challenges 2 girls have recently completed their degree/diploma courses at Bishop Barham Christian University in Kabale and 5 are there at present studying for a variety of degrees.

One girl has completed her certificate in nursing at Bwindi Nursing School while another is just about to start. We are supporting another girl who is studying for a diploma in Agriculture at a college north of Kampala and more locally a girl who is participating in a tailoring course offered by the Mothers Union in Kanungu.

Newsletters and raising awareness

We have distributed 3 updates to our supporters this year, including a Christmas letter in December. There has also been one article in St Bartholomew's Parish Magazine in Wilmslow and 2 in St Chad's, Headingly Parish Magazine - the latter written by a parishioner who remembers Derek and Mary Wood from when they were parishioners at that church.

Future Plans

The state of the accommodation for the female staff at NGSS is still in debate - whether it can be renovated or should be replaced. This is a matter for the school, the board of governors and the Mary Wood Trust trustees to have further discussions about. There is also the possible need for a replacement A level block as the original building is in great disrepair.

Financial Review

Overview of the year

We have continued to be blessed by receiving regular donations from many individuals despite the fact of the economic downturn and hardship people face in these uncertain times. Our total income fell by £5,121, partly because a regular donation that we receive of £5,000 fell outside this financial year.

Principal sources of funds

Most of the Trust's income came from individuals (Direct - £27,977; via PayPal - £1,658), HMRC – Gift Aid reclaimed - £4,786, eBay Sales - £2,177, and £300 each from a church and another charity.

Expenditure

Our expenditure has been less than 2020 – 2021 as we did not do a major building project, however as students started to return to their studies with the opening of schools etc, amounts spent increased in most areas. Our Main areas of expenditure were:

Further Education Students	- £7,703 (£5,648 last year)
NGSS Student support	- £5,634 (£4,905 last year)

Kinkiizi Nyakatatare Health Centre	- £3,974 (£1,318 last year)
Ruth Mem. School Porridge	- £2,443 (£2,500 last year)
NGSS Building Fund	- £2,454 (£0 last year - Kitchen last year cost £8,128)

Fundraising

Face to face fundraising this year has once again not been possible because of Covid 19. Selling donated items on eBay and Facebook marketplace has continued to bring in substantial funds. Purchasing items on the internet via Every Click, Amazon smile, and other schemes also raises a small amount of money.

Despite all the uncertainties of life – during and post pandemic – our regular supporters have continued their generous giving, whether it be helping with the running of RMNS, supporting individual girls at NGSS, responding to specific support requests, providing university support, giving to the general fund. We are very grateful indeed.

Financial Policy

We have worked through the charity Commission Self – assessment checklist and checked that we are complying with all that is required of the charity.

Reserve funds

We hold reserve funds in case the charity was to fold so as to enable the commitments that we have made to the students at NGSS, RMNS and the various institutes of further education to finish their respective education.

How expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity.

By providing sponsorship for 42 girls boarding at Nyakabungo Girls Secondary School, all of whom come from needy backgrounds, we are helping to ensure that they have a good secondary education and therefore a good start in life. This in turn will improve the standard of their own families and hopefully uplift their whole communities.

By providing mosquito nets each year and supporting the sick bay and nurse, we are ensuring that the girls are being cared for when sick and hopefully learning to keep themselves safe. By providing sanitary towels to all girls and women at the school we are helping to boost their self-esteem.

The improvements to the fabric of both NGSS and RMNS will give a clean and safe environment for the children and young people to learn in.

By providing daily porridge, pancakes, and milk, we are ensuring that the children have daily nourishment. Although not completely possible during the school's closures due to Covid-19 we have also tried to help the families of the children who would normally attend RMNS.

By providing all the Covid Safety protocol to both RMNS and NGSS we have made sure that they have fulfilled the legal requirements necessary to reopen again and also to keep the students and staff safe.

Our continued ability to support some girls beyond NGSS is hopefully going to produce useful and educated and informed citizens who will make a difference in their own families and the community beyond.

General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR)

In line with the new GDPR regulations that came into force in the EU, we have tried to ensure that we comply to the regulations. We have obtained consent using a customised GDPR Consent Form, from most of our supporters. This has enabled us to ensure that we are only communicating with those who have expressed consent for us to do so. We will endeavour to ensure that this is kept up to date.

The data we hold is kept up to date.

Privacy Policy

The Mary Wood Trust has written a privacy policy which is available to view on our website.



Charity Name	The Mary Wood Trust	No (if any)	1144311
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	06/04/2021	To	05/04/2022
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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					
AMAZON SMILE	29	-	-	29	23
CHARITABLE TRUSTS	200	100	-	300	8,150
CHURCH DONATIONS	-	300	-	300	1,075
EBAY SALES	190	1,987	-	2,177	-
GIVE AS YOU LIVE/CASHBACK	17	-	-	17	89
HMRC	730	4,056	-	4,786	3,388
INTEREST	1,024	-	-	1,024	784
PAYPAL GIVING FUND	-	53	-	53	2,432
PERSONAL	4,633	23,344	-	27,977	23,897
PERSONAL DONATIONS VIA PAYPAL	59	1,599	-	1,658	3,135
STEWARDSHIP	31	-	-	31	500
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	6,913	31,439	-	38,352	43,473
(see table).	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	6,913	31,439	-	38,352	43,473
A3 Payments					
FURTHER ED GOOD SAMARITAN FUND	-	269	-	269	-
FURTHER EDUCATION	-	7,703	-	7,703	5,648
KINKIIZI (Dental & NHC)	-	3,974	-	3,974	1,318
KINKIIZI STUDENT SUPPORT	-	1,187	-	1,187	204
KINKIIZI TEMPERATURE PROBES	-	-	-	-	3,072
KINKIIZI COVID-19 SUPPORT	-	-	-	-	850
KISIIZI STUDENT SUPPORT	-	53	-	53	60
NGSS BUILDING FUND	-	2,454	-	2,454	-
NGSS FINE ARTS	-	-	-	-	1,142
NGSS KITCHEN	-	-	-	-	8,128
NGSS SANITARY PADS	-	494	-	494	-
NGSS SEWING ROOM	-	-	-	-	1,138
NGSS SUPPORT	-	5,634	-	5,634	4,905
RMS PORRIDGE	-	2,443	-	2,443	2,500
RMS GENERAL	-	747	-	747	220
GENERAL	186	-	-	186	2,960
Sub total	186	24,958	-	25,144	32,145
A4 Asset and investment					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	186	24,958	-	25,144	32,145
Net of receipts/(payments)	6,727	6,481	-	13,208	11,328
A5 Transfers between funds	(7,084)	7,084	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	49,470	44,741	-	94,211	82,883
Cash funds this year end	49,113	58,306	-	107,419	94,211

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	CO-OP BANK (CURRENT)	4,113	11,287	-
	CO-OP BANK (SAVINGS)	-	19,018	-
	REDWOOD BANK (SAVINGS)	45,000	28,000	-
	VIRGIN MONEY (SAVINGS)	-	1	-
		49,113	58,306	

Total cash funds

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

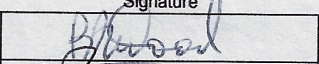
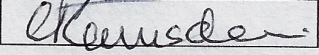
Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
				-
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
				-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
				-
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Peter Wood	6/9/22
	Clare Ramsden	6/9/22



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

The Mary Wood Trust

**On accounts for the year
ended**

5th April 2022

**Charity no
(if any)**

1144311

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 05/04/2022.

**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 (~~other than that disclosed below~~ *) 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.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date:

06/09/2022

Name:

George Large

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

Address:

166 Beeches Road

Chelmsford

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THE MARY WOOD TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1144311

Accounts

The Mary Wood Trust

Annual Report- 2020/2021

Charity Name

The Mary Wood Trust

Registration Number ----- 1144311

Registered address --- 9 Handforth Road, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 2LX

Charity Structure, Governance and Management

Trustees

Chairperson --Clare Ramsden

Treasurer — Dr Peter Wood

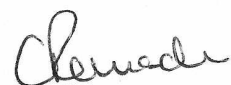
Trustees — Kath Smith, Ann Gover, Pippa Hutchins

Trustee selection method – By personal invitation and approval by existing trustees.

Our Aims and Objectives

- 1.To provide scholarships for education and training with a view to improving disadvantaged young peoples' life skills and opportunities in Uganda.
- 2.To advance education and relieve poverty by providing sponsorship, training, funds or items for disadvantaged children, young people, and those in need in Uganda.
- 3.To develop facilities in Kinkiizi, Kanungu district, in particular but not exclusively, at Nyakabungo Girls Secondary School and Ruth Memorial Nursery School, in order to achieve the aims outlined in 1 and 2 above.

This past year has been particularly difficult due to the restrictions surrounding Covid-19. All four of our trustees' meetings have been held on Zoom. Although not being able to meet in person these meetings have been very important and enabled discussions and decisions to take place regarding our various projects in Uganda and how to plan for the future. There is full transparency about how our money is spent, how to promote the charity and keep our supporters informed, and how to communicate fully with our friends and contacts in Uganda. We try our hardest to make sure that the money we send out to Uganda and spent there is fully accounted for, endeavouring to get receipts where possible. Any money sent for student sponsorship or building projects at Nyakabungo Girls Secondary School is channelled via the Diocese of Kinkiizi, where the contacts we have there are trusted and reliable, the relationship having been built up over many years. The fees for university and further education tuition are sent directly to the individual respected institutions. Unfortunately, there have been no visits to Uganda by trustees during the past 12 months because of the pandemic. However there has been



regular communication with Kinkiizi Diocese, school staff and further education students, making sure that the strong link we have is maintained.

Activities and Objectives

Activities over the past year

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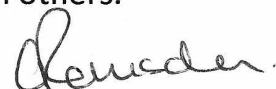
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The Mary Wood Trust has been involved with the school since 2002 and has continued to grow in its sponsorship of students and also improving the infrastructure of the school. This is seen by the additional buildings and facilities provided by the MWT over the years.

Once again, the pandemic has caused disruption due to occasional dictated closures of the school. It was decided that we would offer boarding status to the 10 day girls that we support. This now brings our total of sponsored girls to 42.

All the girls we support are chosen because of their need and their poor family backgrounds. Some are more academic than others.



The present head teacher, Molly Musingusi, has developed a good relationship with the staff, the students, and the local community.

During the initial closure of the school to students in April, work was carried out to finally protect the community spring. Pipes were brought to the school, ensuring a regular supply of fresh water. The Mary Wood Trust and WATSAN worked together on this, meaning that girls will no longer have to walk some kilometres away from the school to collect fresh water in the dry season.

Another building project that took place during the closure of the school was the building of a new kitchen and store at the school. This project had been under discussion for a number of years, and it was wonderful to be in a position to facilitate this. Again, we acknowledge the generous contributions of a number of donors. This new kitchen, with three ovens and an attached food store, will be put to full use once the school is properly back in session again.

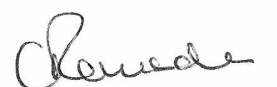
O and A Level candidates returned to their studies in October, with strict safety protocols in place- face masks for all, hand sanitizers and washing stations, temperature gauges and social distancing. The return of other students was phased.

As always, we provide mosquito nets for all girls at the school, and we understand that the school is monitoring their use.

The Sick Bay, dining shelter and solar lighting all continue to be used and much appreciated.

On the last trustees' visit to the school, it was noted that some of the infrastructure of the school was in need of repair. Again, taking advantage of the school closure, we enabled maintenance work to be carried out, repairing some of the broken verandas and replacing crumbling bricks. There is more to do when funds allow.

The Cliff Smith Sewing Room is very popular with the students. Before the chaos of the pandemic, 13 girls signed up to study tailoring and sewing to O level standard. The second phase of the I Stand project, originally initiated by Jess Leigh, meant the girls produced 80 Ugandan cotton bags to be sold in the UK. The profits from these allowed the school to buy 5 more reconditioned sewing machines and an overlocker. With 13 machines now in situ the school is well set up to give the girls a skill and also help them develop a good business sense.



The Fine Arts Room was in need of art supplies (paper, paints, pencils and pens), as well as textbooks on Art history. We were able to provide these with the proceeds of items sold on e bay, donated specifically for this use.

We still contribute to the Samaritan Fund, which offers support to girls who cannot afford the basic needs at school, e.g., sanitary towels, toilet paper, soap, items of school uniform, eye check-ups and glasses. We ask for a record from the head teacher as to how the money is spent.

The Male Staff Houses, Derek 1 and Derek 2, continue to provide good and individual accommodation for the male teachers. By providing this purpose built accommodation the hope is that the staff will feel appreciated and cared for and in turn they will endeavour to inspire their students.

The female staff accommodation, Mary Hall, has been a subject of discussion for a while. When the school is in session 3 or 4 female teachers stay there. However, it does not quite provide the independent living that they would prefer. Discussions will be had with the teachers and the head to see whether we might be able to provide more suitable accommodation in the future once the school returns to normal after the pandemic. This will require major financial commitment.

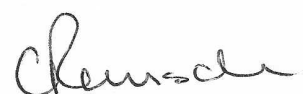
Our concern for the school during this last pandemic year has not only involved the students and their irregular schooling and the physical fabric of the school, but also the teachers and support staff. Many of the staff are on local contracts and during the school closures this meant that they were not receiving their salaries. Realising how important it is to support the staff we sent money in September, as a gesture of our concern for them and their families. It has been much appreciated.

Nyakatare Health Centre (NHC)

Situated in Kanungu Town, NHC is a Diocesan Health Centre and provides good quality medical care to the local community.

The clinical officer, Nexon Tusiime, keeps in regular contact and he is working hard to keep the facility running smoothly. It provides regular immunisation clinics and check ups for mothers and babies as well as inpatient care. We understand that he and his health workers were among some of the first to be vaccinated.

We trust that the microscope, flowing water in the laboratory, the generator and the patients washing and latrine facility, all of which we have financed over the years, are in good working order.



The Dental Unit continues to struggle, with only a dental nurse in attendance. This limits the procedures that can be offered. We understand that some of the dental equipment is in need of repair.

A new maternity hospital was opened in Kanungu during the year. This has freed up the maternity ward at NHC. The plan now is to re-purpose that ward and make 4 separate private rooms when finances allow. Hopefully this will provide better facilities and an added income for the centre.

Past Students

Our support for suitable MWT sponsored girls at further education institutions continues. Unfortunately, we are not able to offer this support to all girls who are capable.

One girl has completed her degree course this year- at Kabale University - attaining a lower second class. We have six others who are at various stages of their degree studies at Bishop Barham Christian University in Kabale this year, and one other girl who is soon to compete her nursing certificate course.

Newsletters and raising awareness

We have distributed 4 updates to our supporters this year, including a Christmas letter in December and there have been 2 articles in St Bartholomew's Parish Magazine.

Future Plans

As mentioned above, the fabric of the school requires regular maintenance. We will try and encourage NGSS to look at this in more detail and see whether we can offer further help and advice.

Accommodation for the female staff at NGSS needs to be reassessed. Further consultation is needed with the female staff and the head teacher to find out exactly what new accommodation would be most appropriate for them. We will try to assist the building of new accommodation if funds allow.

Financial Review

Overview of the year

During this financial year we have continued to be blessed by a regular income from many longstanding and some new faithful regular donors. We have also received several larger gifts for specific projects. We are very thankful for all these gifts and work hard to ensure that they are used wisely. We were hampered by Covid - 19. It meant that we had to



think imaginatively as to how to enable the money that we received to be used in a good way whilst maintaining some degree of oversight to ensure that it was used appropriately.

Principal sources of funds

Our overall income decreased by £2459 to £43,473.

The vast majority of this has been personal donations either directly through the bank (£23,897) or via PayPal (£3,135) or Stewardship (£500).

Church donations fell by £335 to £1075, Charitable Trust receipts were £8,150 (Linden Trust - £8,000 (2 donations), Red Setter Trust - £150), and eBay Sales have increased from £1,254, to £2,432, which represents many sales. We have continued to receive Gift Aid from the UK government, for which we are very grateful £3,388 (£4543 in 2019 - 2020).

Expenditure

This year our expenditure remained fairly stable. Although we sent less money to support the students at school and for further education, we did send money for some refurbishment, the building of a new kitchen (£8,128) and purchased a large number of temperature probes for the schools and diocese in their fight against Covid - 19, sourcing these from China and importing them directly to Uganda and so saving a few thousand pounds in the process. We are thankful to Joint Medical Stores in Kampala who assisted us in this venture.

We are careful to ensure that monies are accounted for; we are grateful that the Treasurer of Kinkiizi Diocese can assist us in this.

We continue to support

NGSS - £ 4,905 (£6,595 in 2019 -2020),


Ruth Memorial Nursery School - £2,500 (£4,247 in 2019 -2020)

and Further Education Students - £5,648 (£11,049 in 2019 -2020) and several other students at schools in the area.

These amounts have been less than usual as result of the schools being closed for some considerable time.

Part of the money sent to both NGSS and RMNS was to support the teachers at both institutions and students' families at RMNS. We were concerned that in view of the fact that both schools were closed that they would not be receiving their salaries and the young children, and their families would struggle to be fed. This assistance was gratefully received.

We have continued to use Western Union to send money to Uganda when paying institutions and started to use Remitly to send money to support the individual F E students in their personal needs. This is a more efficient way for the students to receive their support and gives a better rate of exchange.



Fundraising

Face to face fundraising this year has not been possible because of Covid 19. However, selling donated items through e bay and Marketplace has continued throughout the pandemic.

Also buying on the internet via Every Click, Amazon smile, schemes, raises a small amount of money.

Financial Policy

We have written a financial policy for the Trust which states how money is handled. This is available on request. It will be reviewed in the next financial year.

Reserve funds

We have £20,000 reserved to help provide a regular on-going income to support 10 girls at Nyakabungo Girls Secondary School, and a further £5,000 reserved to help provide regular on-going support for the students pursuing further education, in the unlikely closure of the charity.

We have £5,000 reserved in case the funding for food and porridge at RMNS should cease. This would enable the nursery school to run for a year before the money runs out.

How expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity.

By providing sponsorship for 42 girls boarding at Nyakabungo Girls Secondary School, all of whom come from needy backgrounds, we are helping to ensure that they have a good secondary education and therefore a good start in life. This in turn will improve the standard of their own families and hopefully uplift their whole communities.

By providing mosquito nets and the sick bay and nurse, we are ensuring that the girls are being cared for when sick and hopefully learning to keep themselves safe.

The improvements to the fabric of both NGSS and RMNS will give a clean and safe environment for the children and young people to learn in.

By providing daily porridge and milk, we are ensuring that the children have daily nourishment. Although not completely possible during the school's closures due to Covid-19 we have also tried to help the families of the children who would normally attend RMNS.

Our ability to support some girls beyond NGSS is hopefully going to produce useful and educated and informed citizens who will make a difference in their own families and the community beyond.

General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR)

In line with the new GDPR regulations that came into force in the EU, we have tried to ensure that we comply to the regulations. We have obtained



consent using a customised GDPR Consent Form, from most of our supporters. This has enabled us to ensure that we are only communicating with those who have expressed consent for us to do so. We will endeavour to ensure that this is kept up to date. The data we hold is kept up to date.

Privacy Policy

The Mary Wood Trust has a Privacy Policy which is available to view on our website.

Revised

Charity Name The Mary Wood Trust		No (if any) 1144311		CC16a	
Receipts and payments accounts					
For the period from	06/04/2020	To	05/04/2021		

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					
AMAZON SMILE	23	-	-	23	15
CHARITABLE TRUSTS	5,000	3,150	-	8,150	1,925
CHURCH DONATIONS	-	1,075	-	1,075	1,410
EVERYCLICK	-	-	-	-	54
FUND RAISING	-	-	-	-	805
GIVE AS YOU LIVE/CASHBACK	89	-	-	89	-
HMRC	940	2,448	-	3,388	4,543
INTEREST	784	-	-	784	476
LEGACY	-	-	-	-	467
PAYPAL GIVING FUND	-	2,432	-	2,432	1,254
PERSONAL	6,303	17,594	-	23,897	29,128
PERSONAL DONATIONS VIA PAYPAL	186	2,949	-	3,135	1,898
PERSONAL VIA CAF BANK	-	-	-	-	255
STEWARDSHIP	-	500	-	500	3,702
Sub total (Gross income for A/R)	13,325	30,148	-	43,473	45,932
A2 Asset and investment sales,					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	13,325	30,148	-	43,473	45,932
A3 Payments					
CLARE'S BIRTHDAY PROJECT	-	-	-	-	262
FURTHER ED GOOD SAMARITAN FUND	-	-	-	-	189
FURTHER EDUCATION	-	5,648	-	5,648	11,049
KINKIIZI (Dental & NHC)	-	1,318	-	1,318	751
KINKIIZI STUDENT SUPPORT	-	204	-	204	944
KINKIIZI TEMPERATURE PROBES	-	3,072	-	3,072	-
KINKIIZI COVID-19 SUPPORT	-	850	-	850	-
KISIIZI STUDENT SUPPORT	-	60	-	60	223
LIGHTS	-	-	-	-	73
NGSS FINE ARTS	-	1,142	-	1,142	-
NGSS KITCHEN	-	8,128	-	8,128	-
NGSS MUSIC	-	-	-	-	1,124
NGSS NETS	-	-	-	-	290
NGSS SAMARITAN FUND	-	-	-	-	167
NGSS SEWING ROOM	-	1,138	-	1,138	379
NGSS SUPPORT	-	4,905	-	4,905	6,595
RMS PORRIDGE	-	2,500	-	2,500	4,247
RMS GENERAL	-	220	-	220	2,423
UGANDA TRIPS	-	-	-	-	3,223
GENERAL	2,960	-	-	2,960	580
Sub total	2,960	29,185	-	32,145	32,519
A4 Asset and investment					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	2,960	29,185	-	32,145	32,519
Net of receipts/(payments)	10,365	963	-	11,328	13,413
A5 Transfers between funds	(5,889)	5,889	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	44,994	37,889	-	82,883	69,471
Cash funds this year end	49,470	44,741	-	94,211	82,883

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	CO-OP BANK (CURRENT)	9,228	47	-
	CO-OP BANK (SAVINGS)	-	19,012	-
	REDWOOD BANK (SAVINGS)	30,000	-	-
	SHAWBROOK BANK (SAVINGS)	10,242	25,681	-
	VIRGIN MONEY (SAVINGS)	-	1	-
	Total cash funds	49,470	44,741	

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

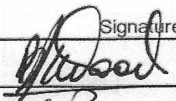
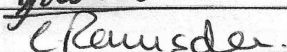
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		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		B3 Investment assets		
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use		
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		B5 Liabilities		
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Peter Wood	05/11/2021
	Clare Ramsden	05/11/2021



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The Mary Wood Trust

**On accounts for the year
ended**

5th April 2021

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1144311

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**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 (~~other than that disclosed below~~ *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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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.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date:

5/11/2021

Name:

George Large

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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

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