

CHRISTIAN CONNECTIONS IN SCHOOLS

England & Wales · Charity number 1150149

Details

Other names CCIS

Status Registered

Legal form Trust

Registered 2012-12-12

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

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Activities

Objects: TO ADVANCE THE CHRISTIAN FAITH AMONG CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE AND FAMILIES PARTICULARLY IN SCHOOLS AND IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE CHURCHES IN THE AREA OF SLOUGH, WINDSOR AND MAIDENHEAD

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Classification

- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** Education/training, Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** SLOUGH, WINDSOR AND MAIDENHEAD
- Buckinghamshire
- Slough
- Windsor And Maidenhead

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-05	£80,218	£84,143	-	-
2024-04-05	£81,458	£76,943	-	-
2023-04-05	£66,207	£48,598	-	-
2022-04-05	£67,196	£51,114	-	-
2021-04-05	£65,394	£40,754	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
ALAN PETER SYMONS	Chair	2012-11-20
Grant Ian Hallam		2020-09-21
Ian Charles Cheeseman		2026-01-29
JANICE MAY HOPKINS		2024-05-23
Jenay Lorraine Monds		2024-05-23
Peter Thomas Cranch		2017-05-25
ROBERT JAMES MILES		2012-11-20
Richard Geoffrey Thorogood		2018-11-26

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Annual Report

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Policies and Procedures

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Public benefit

In planning and overseeing the activities of the charity, the trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and its guidance on the advancement of religion for the public benefit.

Reserves policy

The charity's reserves consist of cash held as unrestricted funds. Its reserves policy is to seek to maintain reserves equivalent to at least 6 months' total employment costs. At the year end, reserves held were £128,141 (2023-24: £135,802), significantly in excess of the minimum required by the reserves policy.

In these circumstances, the reserves policy requires the trustees to exercise prudent stewardship of reserves while seeking opportunities to broaden and deepen CCiS's activities consistently with its objects. The charity is also in compliance with this aspect of the policy, specifically in investigating ways to expand its activities in schools in the area and to prepare for the future.

Annual report: April 2024 - April 2025

Aims and values

We aim to advance the Christian faith among children, young people and families, particularly in schools and in conjunction with the churches in the area of Slough, Windsor and Maidenhead.

We endeavour to do this through:

Partnership with local churches, individuals and Christians in schools.

Developing good **Relationships** with individuals and schools.

Respecting the school environment as a place of education and the beliefs of others.

Seeking for our work to be **Relevant** in how we communicate the good news of Jesus as it is revealed to us in the Bible.

What we do: <https://player.vimeo.com/video/228468467>

In everything we do, our intention is to engage with all those in schools (students, teachers and support staff) and to encourage and support Christians in schools by using words and actions.

❖ **Hanging Around Ministry – HAM**

HAM reinforces and complements schools' ministry by providing an opportunity to spend time with pupils, staff and others at more informal occasions such as lunch and break times.

❖ **Assemblies**

Assemblies have proved to be an effective way to dispel some of the misconceptions that people may have about Jesus and Christianity. It provides a short opportunity (5-8 minutes) to share with a large group (approx. 200-250 at a time) some of what Jesus said or did, or a story that Jesus told.

❖ **Lessons**

Teaching time contributes to the school RE/PSHE curriculum and provides opportunities for discussion in a classroom setting. The lessons are always focused around Christianity and the teaching of Christianity.

❖ ***Christmas Unwrapped and Easter Cracked***

These significant initiatives started as a one-off church centenary celebration in 1994. Local schools are invited to send their Year 6 classes to these church-based presentations of the great stories of the Gospel, which have proved to be so popular that more than 50 areas throughout the country are now involved in putting on their own events.

Each presentation aims to provide a warm welcome to the church and hopes to share something of both the Christmas and Easter miracles in a way that is memorable, interactive and engaging. Slough Baptist Church held the very first presentations and currently schedule *Easter Cracked* for March and *Christmas Unwrapped* for late November. The church provides an outline programme so that anyone wishing to hold their own event in their local area has all they need to get started.

Post-pandemic, these ministries are also available online:

Christmas Unwrapped: <https://youtu.be/U-lcp5dOTaM>
(Recorded November 2020)

Easter Cracked: <https://youtu.be/lv07rOYbl4M>
(Recorded January 2021)

❖ ***It's Your Move!***

It's Your Move! provides a session and resources for year 6 pupils (age 10/11) preparing to move to senior school, and is held in primary schools during late May and June.

❖ **School Christian Groups**

Wayne Dixon's schools work began when Slough Grammar asked him to help set up a Christian group in the school. Groups like this now meet in a number of local schools, including Altwood, Burnham Grammar (Explore), Cox Green (Ignite), Newlands Girls Schools (Revive) and Windsor Girls' School (Big Questions and CU). These groups are publicised in assemblies at the beginning of the school year.

❖ ***Examattack***

Examattack is a presentation held in most of the secondary schools Wayne visits and seeks to put exams into perspective for students. This initiative has been well received for its contribution to the life of a school in an area which is hugely important.

<http://www.examattack.org.uk/>

❖ **Inter Schools Soccer Sevens**

Football competitions for boys and girls are held in June each year for local schools which enter boys' and girls' team of students and host the competitions. 'Faith & Football' booklets are provided for the players and PE staff attending. This connects with illustrations used in school lessons and assemblies referring to sport and particularly football.

❖ **Youth & Children What's On?**

We send out a regular email that helps publicise events, resources and more that might help churches enhance their children's and youth ministry. Churches or individuals who wish to publicise events, resources or training in their own area for anyone involved with children's, youth or schools work may also send details to us and we will include them in future updates.

❖ **Gatherings for school workers**

In summer 2025, Beth is setting up regular gatherings for those doing school ministry in the Slough, Windsor and Maidenhead area. The vision is to create two communities; one for Maidenhead and Windsor and one for Slough to try and create smaller, specific communities. This is something that would happen regularly as a way to support and encourage those going into schools and also collaborate together in different areas.

❖ **Prayer**

We believe that the most significant contribution we can make to our schools is to pray for them. There are a number of opportunities each year for particular prayer events, including Education Sunday (early September), Prayday (November) and Pray for Schools (a fortnight in May).

❖ **Primary Schools initiatives**

This short video explains our Church/Primary School initiatives and how they have developed over the past 25 years.

<https://youtu.be/OvEByIycwRA>.

❖ **The Jem Sewell Fund**

Since its inception in October 2022, we have been administering the *Jem Sewell Fund*, which was set up to help children and young people from schools in Slough, Windsor and Maidenhead to attend a Scripture Union Holiday.

Jem's daughter, Bryony, has recorded a video to explain the purpose of the fund: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XjlnB44MKVk>

What we achieved

Summer 2024

❖ *It's Your Move!*

Since the book came out in 2001, Wayne has been very encouraged with the connections it makes with both *Christmas Unwrapped* and *Easter Cracked*, because so many of our local schools receive all three presentations. Praise God for this ministry, which we hope to provide for all the schools which would like it in the future; and for the generosity of individuals and churches whose financial support makes it possible.

'This book has changed the way I now look at secondary school..... 'It's Your Move' has boosted my confidence entirely and I no longer think of my new school as such a scary place. This book is incredibly helpful, with great top-tips, fun activities and even a secondary school planner! It's thought out beautifully, and I know it has helped many children biting their nails at the thought of moving up a school. It's laid out in such a colourful, organised and encouraging way, making it fun to read in bitesize chunks – or all of it at once! 'It's Your Move' reminds me that I'm not alone.... If I had to describe this book in three words, they would be: uplifting, memorable and brilliant. Utterly brilliant. To finish this off, I leave you with a piece of advice - It really IS your move.'
(Year 6 pupil June 2023)

Autumn 2024

❖ *Christmas Unwrapped*

This programme continues to be very popular. The feedback from pupils and staff was very positive, and Wayne continues to learn that flexibility of approach pays dividends. Beth was able to accompany Wayne and observe the Christmas Unwrapped presentations herself for the first time.

❖ *In the Classroom*

These sessions give Wayne the opportunity to share something of his story and explain what Jesus means to him. He often finds time to share when he is in schools, whether he's taking part in formal lessons or simply hanging around informally, perhaps at Christmas concerts, school proms and productions, sports days and around town. Wayne has also led lessons on how different people responded to Jesus. Beth led lessons at Upton Court Grammar on how a Christian's belief impact their actions with a particular focus on forgiveness. The lessons so far have been very well received and she has been invited back for subsequent years to deliver these again.

Spring 2025

❖ *Easter Cracked*

Some 50 schools, several local churches and thousands of pupils plus staff enjoyed and benefitted from *Easter Cracked* this year. After 30 years of providing these presentations, Wayne and Beth say that they, along with *Christmas Unwrapped*, are without doubt the most significant areas of ministry in which they have been involved, because of the way they have developed both locally and in many other areas.

Staff feedback:

One teacher from a school, which had never had Easter Cracked before said, "Why have we never had this before?"

"A great morning with Wayne and Beth. It is a session the children will remember."

"The children absolutely love having you. The whole presentation was very interactive and kept the children engaged"

"As usual, a great session - we love Wayne and Beth"

"Both Wayne and Beth were so enthusiastic and held the room's attention".

Throughout the year

❖ Encouragements

For Beth, some of the greatest encouragements have been the lessons. She has loved being able to get back into the classroom and deliver RE lessons. The lessons so far have been on the impact beliefs have on our actions with a focus on Christian beliefs about forgiveness, Jesus as our friend and what impact do Christians have on their local communities. Later in 2025, Beth will be delivering lessons on Christian festivals such as Christmas and Easter and Christian beliefs about creation! To be able to build relationships and do lessons with each individual class in these schools has been a privilege and something she hopes will continue to grow.

For Wayne here are some general encouragements that he has had during the past year. Thank you Jesus!

" We cannot speak highly enough of Wayne. He is part of our school community! His assemblies are the best ones we have in any academic year. They are engaging, funny, interesting and yet educational. The Christian message is clear, but delivered in a way that does not overwhelm.....Seeing Wayne in our school at break and lunchtime, talking to the students, remains a pleasure and he is part of the furniture in the nicest possible sense."

" The children are always so engaged when listening to Wayne and look forward to his visits. His material is delivered in such a way to be inclusive to children of all faiths, or none at all. All in all, Wayne is an absolute joy to work with! "

“ Wayne is always so engaging and the pupils remember his delivery because it is interactive and inspiring. The use of photographs and music, along with Wayne’s delivery ensured that the pupils remained engaged “

❖ **Hanging Around Ministry (HAM)**

It could be a School Sports Day, Year 11 or Year 13 Prom, music concert or dance show but the common thread at all these events is the opportunity they give Wayne to listen and chat with pupils, staff, parents and carers on a variety of issues, including ‘*what makes Christianity different?*’ and ‘*will Arsenal win The Premier and Champions Leagues?*’! He has spoken with pupils who have specific questions about Jesus, the Christian faith, church and the Bible.

Wayne continues to remind both himself and the pupils he talks to about how important it is to listen, both to each other and to God. Ongoing conversations with a variety of school staff, parents, carers and most importantly children and young people, have shown that listening to some of the joys and pains currently being faced by most of us is vital. Their stories are mostly to do with what happens in school, but others take place at school proms, sports days, school productions and even the high street. He is often reminded of the words written by the apostle Peter, who said: *But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect. (1 Peter 3:15)* The lesson remains to listen first and then much wisdom is required.

❖ **Assemblies**

Assemblies are a powerful way to be able to speak to whole year groups or even whole schools about Christianity. This year the topics have included thankfulness, appreciating God’s creation, inspiration, forgiveness, identity in God and many more. At a time when we often hear about schools being cautious about inviting Christian speakers in, it’s been amazing to be able to do so many assemblies in such a large number of schools. One parent gave the feedback that these assemblies are having an incredible impact in their children’s lives and has led to many discussions about Jesus between them, their classmates and even their parents!

❖ **Lessons**

Lessons are a great way to serve the local schools in how they deliver their RE curriculum. This year we have delivered lessons on the following topics: Vocation and Commitment, how people respond to Jesus, impact of Christian beliefs of their actions, why Easter is important to Christians, was Jesus a good friend and how Christians impact their local communities. The lessons have all been well received and led to some good discussions about Christianity with a variety of pupils.

Trustee changes

This year saw the resignation of Pauline Scott who has moved away from the area. Pauline had been a trustee since the formation of the trust in 2012 and the

trustees have been very grateful for her wise and thoughtful counsel over the years. She has also made an enormous contribution to our communications and our sustained and ultimately successful efforts to recruit an additional schools worker.

During the year we have been pleased to welcome two new trustees, Jenay Monds and Janice Hopkins.

Communication

CCiS communicates through a variety of sources, including regular termly newsletters, delivered either electronically or through the post. Our website is at <http://www.ccischools.org.uk>

Wayne sends news of his own and other initiatives through regular monthly emails to all his contacts. These include his *Youth and Children's What's On* update and *Pause to Pray*, where the need to pray for particular concerns is highlighted. Beth also sends out a weekly email during term time to share what has happened each week as well as any praise or prayer points from the week.

Giving

To maintain and develop the work in our schools we are looking for individuals and churches prayerfully to consider giving to CCiS in the following ways:

- Set up a regular donation, which enables the trustees to plan most effectively for the future. Contact the Treasurer at the address below or treasurer@ccischools.org.uk for a standing order form and gift aid declaration if required
- Visit <https://ccischools.org.uk/how-you-can-help/>
- Make a bank transfer to *Christian Connections in Schools*, sort code 40 52 40, account number 00032898
- Send a cheque (payable to *Christian Connections in Schools*) to: The Treasurer, CCiS, Westfield, 3c College Avenue, Maidenhead SL6 6AR
- Leave a bequest to CCiS, using our charity name *Christian Connections in Schools* and registered number 1150149

The trustees are very grateful to all those who support us in their different ways, most especially over these recent difficult years.

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The Charities Act 2011 requires the trustees to prepare a statement of accounts for each financial year, which comply with the regulations made under that act.

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

Charity law in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of its financial activities for that period.

In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

1. Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
2. Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
3. State whether the policies adopted are in accordance with the appropriate SORP on Accounting by Charities and the Accounting Regulations and with applicable accounting standards, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
4. Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Accounting Standards and Statements of Recommended Practice and the regulations made under s145 of the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approval

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Annual Report above and the Financial Report for the period 6th April 2024 to 5th April 2025. The trustees authorised Mr Alan Peter Symons (Chair) to sign on their behalf.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:

Alan Symons

Alan Peter Symons (Chair)

Date: 27/11/25



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FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 06/04/2024	To	Period end date 05/04/2025
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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	60,270	11,479	-	71,749	71,235
Gift Aid	4,594	-	-	4,594	7,754
Interest	3,875	-	-	3,875	2,469
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	68,739	11,479	-	80,218	81,458
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	68,739	11,479	-	80,218	81,458
A3 Payments					
Employment-related	66,119	-	-	66,119	43,301
Travel	4,533	-	-	4,533	3,313
Telephone	72	-	-	72	72
Insurance	539	-	-	539	518
IT support, payroll processing, bank charges	2,018	-	-	2,018	842
Stationery and resources	3,023	7,743	-	10,767	26,371
Recruitment	4	-	-	4	525
Other services	91	-	-	91	-
Donations	-	-	-	-	2,000
Sub total	76,400	7,743	-	84,143	76,943
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	76,400	7,743	-	84,143	76,943
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 7,661	3,736	-	- 3,925	4,515
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	135,802	6,472	-	142,274	137,759
Cash funds this year end	128,141	10,208	-	138,349	142,274

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 at bank	128,141	10,208	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	128,141	10,208	-
	<small>(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))</small>	OK	OK	OK

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	Computer equipment	Unrestricted	-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

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
Alan Symons	A P SYMONS	27/11/2025
R G Thorogood	R G THOROGOOD	27/11/2025

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees

I report on my examination of the accounts of the charity Christian Connections in Schools for the period from 6 April 2024 to 5 April 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 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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.

Heidi Auero-Fox

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Date: 01/12/25

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❖ **Lessons**

Teaching time contributes to the school RE/PSHE curriculum and provides opportunities for discussion in a classroom setting.

❖ ***Christmas Unwrapped and Easter Cracked***

These significant initiatives started as a one-off church centenary celebration in 1994. Local schools are invited to send their Year 6 classes to these church-based presentations of the great stories of the Gospel, which have proved to be so popular that more than 50 areas throughout the country are now involved in putting on their own events.

Each presentation aims to provide a warm welcome to the church and hopes to share something of both the Christmas and Easter miracles in a way that is memorable, interactive and engaging. Slough Baptist Church held the very first presentations and currently schedule *Easter Cracked* for March and *Christmas Unwrapped* for late November. The church provides an outline programme so that anyone wishing to hold their own event in their local area has all they need to get started.

Post-pandemic, these ministries are also available online:

Christmas Unwrapped: <https://youtu.be/U-lcp5dOTaM>
(Recorded November 2020)

Easter Cracked: <https://youtu.be/lv07rOYbl4M>
(Recorded January 2021)

❖ ***It's Your Move!***

It's Your Move! provides a session and resources for year 6 pupils (age 10/11) preparing to move to senior school, and is held in primary schools during late June and early July.

❖ **School Christian Groups**

Wayne Dixon's schools work began when Slough Grammar asked him to help set up a Christian group in the school. Groups like this now meet in a number of local schools, including Altwood, Burnham Grammar (Explore), Cox Green (Ignite), Newlands Girls Schools (Revive) and Windsor Girls' School (Big Questions). These groups are publicised in assemblies at the beginning of the school year.

❖ ***Examattack***

Examattack is a presentation held in most of the secondary schools Wayne visits and seeks to put exams into perspective for students. This initiative has been well received for its contribution to the life of a school in an area which is hugely important.

<http://www.examattack.org.uk/>

❖ **Inter Schools Soccer Sevens**

This is an annual competition for local schools which enter teams of students, up to and including year 10, and is held at Langley Grammar School over two evenings. In the years when there is a World Cup or European Championship, pupils receive booklets packed full of stories, facts and figures as well as testimonies from Christian sportsmen and women.

❖ **Youth & Children What's On?**

We send out a regular email that helps publicise events, resources and more that might help churches enhance their children's and youth ministry. Churches or individuals who wish to publicise events, resources or training in their own area for anyone involved with children's, youth or schools work may also send details to us and we will include them in future updates.

❖ **Christianity Awareness Week**

The trust undertakes to work with youth groups and churches through planning, producing and leading specific campaigns and activities in schools and the wider area. One such is *Christianity Awareness Week (Illuminate)* most recently held in Maidenhead in April 2023.

❖ **Prayer**

We believe that the most significant contribution we can make to our schools is to pray for them. There are a number of opportunities each year for particular prayer events, including Education Sunday (early September), Prayday (November) and Pray for Schools (a fortnight in May).

❖ **Primary Schools initiatives**

This short video explains our Church/Primary School initiatives and how they have developed over the past 25 years.
<https://youtu.be/OvEByIcwRA>.

❖ **The Jem Sewell Fund**

Since its inception in October 2022, we have been administering the *Jem Sewell Fund*, which helps children and young people from schools in Slough, Windsor and Maidenhead to attend a Scripture Union Holiday.

Jem's daughter, Bryony, has recorded a video to explain the purpose of the fund: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XjlnB44MKVk>

We ask donors to indicate clearly that they are contributing to this particular fund, so that we can specifically allocate donations for that purpose. Cheques should be made payable to *Christian Connections in Schools*, with *Jem Sewell Fund* written on the back.

What we achieved

Summer 2023

❖ *Illuminate*

Illuminate was held in Maidenhead from 24th – 28th April, when LZ7 visited five schools, during which they took two assemblies and fourteen lessons, and, including the Friday evening concert, impacted some 3000 pupils, mainly aged between 11-15 years old. The week's activities were the culmination of months of planning and preparation, where prayer and training events were held for churches and volunteers, and opportunities provided for Christian young people to come together. School staff feedback was very positive:

'Really enjoyed it! Wish I'd had that kind of thing at my school when I was a teenager.'

'Kids (yr 8) loved it! Great, thought provoking and uplifting session for them.'

'Absolutely AMAZING! Wonderful energy! Fantastic music! -Thank you, it is so wonderful to see the joy in the children. As a Christian, this feeds my soul!'

'An enormous thank you for yesterday and bringing LZ7 to Furze Platt Senior School. As you saw, LZ7 were really well received with a terrific energy and positivity. While coincidental, having them onsite really gave the party feel as we celebrated our 60th Birthday. Colleagues who had seen LZ7 on their last visit were really impressed how the band and 'show' had developed over the last decade. I hope that the Braywick concert is a huge success.

Please do pass on our thanks to the band and everyone responsible for organising the events across Maidenhead schools this week. I hope that you are energised by your week with the band and once again have loved the experience.'

Subsequent experiences were less encouraging. A planned session in each of the schools on Wednesday 3rd May for those who attended the concert, or took part in the lessons and wanted to find out more about Jesus and the Christian faith, did not go ahead. No young people attended the initial follow-up session held the morning after the concert at The Braywick Leisure Centre, and even though five young people (all from Altwood School) attended the follow-up session the following Friday, none attended a subsequent series of after-school sessions.

These experiences have shown us that there are lessons to be learned, the most important being the increasing gap for our young people between participating in an event like this in their schools, and becoming part of a church. We believe that the Christian young people already in our schools have a vital role to play both in praying for their peers and friends, and in introducing them to Jesus, so school based Christian groups continue to be essential.

❖ ***Illuminate (continued)***

Financially, there was a shortfall of approximately £8,000, as the end of week concert didn't sell out, and grants and contributions from individuals, churches and other organisations were lower than on previous occasions.

Even so, we believe that opportunities like these provide additional options in helping to make Jesus known, most clearly seen in the on-going conversations Wayne still has with both pupils and staff who remember previous Illuminate mission events in 2010, 2012, 2015 and 2018.

❖ ***It's Your Move!***

Since the book came out in 2001, Wayne has been very encouraged with the connections it makes with both *Christmas Unwrapped* and *Easter Cracked*, because so many of our local schools receive all three presentations. Praise God for this ministry, which we hope to provide for all the schools which would like it in the future; and for the generosity of individuals and churches whose financial support makes it possible.

'This book has changed the way I now look at secondary school..... 'It's Your Move' has boosted my confidence entirely and I no longer think of my new school as such a scary place. This book is incredibly helpful, with great top-tips, fun activities and even a secondary school planner! It's thought out beautifully, and I know it has helped many children biting their nails at the thought of moving up a school. It's laid out in such a colourful, organised and encouraging way, making it fun to read in bitesize chunks – or all of it at once! 'It's Your Move' reminds me that I'm not alone.... If I had to describe this book in three words, they would be: uplifting, memorable and brilliant. Utterly brilliant. To finish this off, I leave you with a piece of advice - It really IS your move.' (Year 6 pupil June 2023)

❖ **Inter Schools Soccer Sevens**

Seven schools took part in the girls' competition: Altwood, Beechwood, Cox Green, Lynch Hill, Newlands Girls, Windsor Girls and the hosts, Furze Platt Senior. It was great fun, and various connections were made with other opportunities in our schools. Newlands won the competition for the second year running!

Autumn 2023

❖ *Christmas Unwrapped*

Wayne was reassured by how well *Christmas Unwrapped* was received when it took place in school halls, as because of cost and staffing issues, schools often found it difficult to travel to local churches. At the beginning of each session, pupils were asked to tell each other their favourite part of Christmas, before giving their feedback to the rest of the group. The most popular answers were 'presents', 'parties' and 'spending time with family', although on one memorable occasion a pupil answered '*Jesus!*'. Wayne was so encouraged, and it's why he wears his *Jesus, the Reason for the Season* Christmas jumper! The feedback from pupils and staff was very positive, and Wayne continues to learn that flexibility of approach pays dividends

❖ *In the Classroom*

Wayne led lessons at St. Bernard's Prep. School on the topic of *Vocation and Commitment*. These sessions gave him the opportunity to share something of his story and explain what Jesus means to him. He often finds time to share when he is in schools, whether he's taking part in formal lessons or simply hanging around informally, perhaps at Christmas concerts, school proms and productions, sports days and around town.

Spring 2024

❖ *Opportunities in Schools Ministry*

In February Wayne hosted a meeting via Zoom, which gave information about many opportunities for schools ministry throughout this year and beyond. These included:

Introduction to a Church - Primary School initiative:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OvEBYlycwRA>

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It's Your Move!: https://youtu.be/OM_ndo-RmOg

❖ ***Easter Cracked***

Some 45 schools, several local churches and thousands of pupils plus staff enjoyed and benefitted from *Easter Cracked* this year. After some 30 years of providing these presentations, Wayne says that they, along with *Christmas Unwrapped*, are without doubt the most significant areas of ministry in which he has been involved, because of the way they have developed both locally and in many other areas.

Staff feedback:

'The presentation was brilliant. I have seen this for 5 years being in Year 6 and each year it gets better. Wayne is fab at delivering this.'

'As always, a fantastic, fun, informative + interactive afternoon.'

'A great opportunity for the children to discover facts about Easter themselves.'

'Excellent. Informative and engaging.'

'The children (and staff) love this (the Rap).'

'Thanks for running Easter Cracked for our primary school! Our son related back a very accurate account of the Easter story. There's a lot of kids in the school from nominal Christian backgrounds or Muslim backgrounds, with little knowledge of and many misunderstandings of the basics of who Jesus is, Easter etc, so it's great for them to have the opportunity to hear the message told clearly and engagingly.' A parent from Reading

Throughout the year

❖ Encouragements

'Wayne Dixon is a friendly face around the school. Through engaging with students via table tennis, watching productions, attending proms and generally having chats, he manages to build a great relationship with the school and the people in it. This has to be the first step to engaging youth with Christianity and the church, and I've seen and heard many fabulous conversations between Wayne and question-filled students.'

Most importantly, if the students felt uncomfortable they would not pay attention, so it's clear that Wayne has found a way to make evangelising engaging and accepted. I pray he continues the good work.' Current Year 13 pupil

'Wayne visits each of our Year 7 classes and engages them immediately. Many know him from visits to their Primary school and know that they will be involved, challenged and entertained. He brings parables and miracles alive to the students in a memorable way.' David, Staff member

Hi Wayne....I remember you from the time I was at Becky High School in 1997-2004. I came across Christian connections in schools the other day and realised that it was you leading the work! I distinctly remember you coming in to do an assembly at school, entering the school hall with the Black Eyed Peas blaring out, singing 'Where is the love'! It was a breath of fresh air and we really enjoyed your assemblies, thank you. I became a Christian as a teenager through very good friends at Becky High. I'm still very close to the Christian friends from school and they all remember you too! Anyway, I wanted to get in touch to say thank you for the work and we'll pray for continued blessing of your work! Jo (March 2024)

I have been fortunate enough to be able to experience the work that CCiS do for many years now! Wayne Dixon visited my secondary school when I, myself, was a pupil and I have had the pleasure of having him deliver sessions to the children at the school that I now teach at, St Mary's Farnham Royal. The sessions that CCiS deliver allows the children to further their knowledge of Christianity in a fun and interactive way and they finish the sessions wanting to share what they have learnt with their friends and family! The enthusiasm of these sessions spreads to the children, and they themselves become so excited to learn more and experience other sessions run by CCiS. Not only do the children love these sessions, but the staff do too! (Hannah, Year 6 Teacher)

❖ Hanging Around Ministry (HAM)

It could be a School Sports Day, Year 11 or Year 13 Prom, music concert or dance show but the common thread at all these events is the opportunity they give Wayne to listen and chat with pupils, staff, parents and carers on a variety of issues, including '*what makes Christianity different?*' and '*will Arsenal win The Premier and Champions Leagues?!*' He has spoken with pupils who have specific questions about Jesus, the Christian faith, church and the Bible.

Wayne has recently completed a Mental Health First Aid Course which has already been helpful in various conversations he has had in school with staff and pupils.. Over recent years, some of the issues being faced by staff and pupils in our schools have confirmed to him the role of 'HAM', so that in the time available after setting up for an assembly, he often finds that people are open to chat, if he takes time to listen.

Wayne been reminding both himself and the pupils he talks to about how important it is to listen, both to each other and to God. Ongoing conversations with a variety of school staff, parents, carers and most importantly children and young people, have shown that listening to some of the joys and pains currently being faced by most of us is vital. Their stories are mostly to do with what happens in school, but others take place at school proms, sports days, school productions and even the high street. He is often reminded of the words written by the apostle Peter, who said: *But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect.* (1 Peter 3:15)

The lesson remains to listen first and then much wisdom is required.

News from the Trust

❖ New Schools Worker

In February, we began advertising for a second member of staff to help develop the work of Christian Connections in Schools

Our advertisement specified that the role would involve:

- Schools work: includes advocating the Christian faith and lifestyle, and support work with children and young people. This will entail leading/taking part in lessons, assemblies and Christian group meetings, including prayer meetings; helping to set up new Christian groups and establishing appropriate aims and objectives; and being involved in, and supportive of, the school community in appropriate ways.
- Local work: includes developing and maintaining contact with churches and enabling them to be involved with local schools, so that church groups have an active concern for teachers and pupils and a desire to support any Christians among them.
- Training: includes the recruiting, resourcing and support of volunteers; and undertaking personal and professional development by study and training and participating in an annual work review.

Several promising applications were received and, after an interview day in May, we were delighted when our offer of the post was accepted by the successful candidate, who will take up the position in September 2024.

❖ Other responsibilities

The trustees have been working on policies and IT backup to enable CCiS to continue to run safely and securely.

❖ New Trustees

We are pleased to announce that from May 2024, Mrs Jenay Monds and Mrs Janice Hopkins will take up the post of trustees for CCiS.

Communication

CCiS communicates through a variety of sources, including regular termly newsletters, delivered either electronically or through the post. There is a well-presented website which includes news of forthcoming events: <http://ccischools.org.uk/about-ccis/>

Wayne sends news of his own and other initiatives through regular monthly emails to all his contacts. These include his *Youth and Children's What's On* update and *Pause to Pray*, where the need to pray for particular concerns is highlighted.

Giving

To maintain and develop the work in our schools we are looking for individuals and churches prayerfully to consider giving to CCiS in the following ways:

- Visit <https://www.cafonline.org/>
- Make a bank transfer to *Christian Connections in Schools*, sort code 40 52 40, account number 00032898
- Send a cheque (payable to *Christian Connections in Schools*) to: The Treasurer, CCiS, Westfield, 3c College Avenue, Maidenhead SL6 6AR
- Set up a regular donation, which enables the trustees to plan more effectively for the future. Contact the Treasurer at the address above or treasurer@ccischools.org.uk for a standing order form and gift aid declaration if required
- Leave a bequest to CCiS, using our charity name *Christian Connections in Schools* and registered number 1150149

The trustees are very grateful to all those who support us in their different ways, most especially over these recent difficult years.

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The Charities Act 2011 requires the trustees to prepare a statement of accounts for each financial year, which comply with the regulations made under that act.

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

Charity law in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of its financial activities for that period.

In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

1. Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
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4. Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Accounting Standards and Statements of Recommended Practice and the regulations made under s145 of the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approval

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Annual Report above and the Financial Report for the period 6 April 2023 to 5 April 2024. The trustees authorised Mr Alan Peter Symons (Chair) to sign on their behalf.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:

Alan Symons

Alan Peter Symons (Chair)

Date: 14/11/24



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name Christian Connections in Schools	No (if any) 1150149
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 06/04/2023	To	Period end date 05/04/2024
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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	61,699	9,537	-	71,235	60,834
Gift Aid	6,752	1,003	-	7,754	4,716
Interest	2,469	-	-	2,469	657
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	70,919	10,539	-	81,458	66,207
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	70,919	10,539	-	81,458	66,207
A3 Payments					
Employment-related	43,301	-	-	43,301	41,097
Travel	3,313	-	-	3,313	3,444
Telephone	72	-	-	72	74
Insurance	518	-	-	518	491
IT support, payroll processing, bank charges	842	-	-	842	604
Stationery and resources	2,408	23,964	-	26,371	2,889
Recruitment	525	-	-	525	-
Donations	2,000	-	-	2,000	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	52,980	23,964	-	76,943	48,598
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	52,980	23,964	-	76,943	48,598
Net of receipts/(payments)	17,939	- 13,425	-	4,515	17,608
A5 Transfers between funds	- 7,803	7,803	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	125,665	12,094	-	137,759	120,151
Cash funds this year end	135,802	6,472	-	142,274	137,759

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 at bank	135,802	6,472	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	135,802	6,472	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

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	Computer equipment	Unrestricted	-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

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
	Alan Symons	ALAN SYMONS		14/11/2024
	R G Thorogood	R G THOROGOOD		14/11/2024

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees

I report on my examination of the accounts of the charity Christian Connections in Schools for the period from 6 April 2023 to 5 April 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 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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.

Heidi Auero-Fox

Heidi Auero-Fox ACA

Date: 19/11/24

CHRISTIAN CONNECTIONS IN SCHOOLS

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Currently we employ Wayne Dixon who works in a number of secondary schools in the area and was previously the Scripture Union schools worker for Slough, Windsor and Maidenhead for 25 years. We aim to sustain him in continuing and enlarging this role, through administering the support offered by churches and individuals who value the outstanding relationships he enjoys with staff and students alike.

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Mr Alan Peter Symons (Chair from August 2021)

Mr Robert James Miles (Secretary)

Mr Richard Geoffrey Thorogood (Treasurer)

Revd Peter Thomas Cranch (Finance)

Mrs Pauline Catherine Scott (Communications)

Mr Grant Hallam (Data Protection)

The Trust works with children and vulnerable people and trustees have jointly and individually declared that they have carried out all trustee eligibility tests that are required by law.

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Policies and Procedures

Type of governing document: Trust Deed, adopted September 20th, 2012.

The Trust has documented policies covering safeguarding children and young people; work related stressors; parental, maternity and paternity leave; disciplinary, grievances and complaints; financial controls, financial reserves and investments; paying employees; conflicts of interest and anti-bribery. Our GDPR policy is currently being reviewed, and, importantly, we now have a new data backup solution in place. We will continue developing our data storage in the coming year.

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❖ **Assemblies**

Assemblies have proved to be an effective way to dispel some of the misconceptions that people may have about Jesus and Christianity. It provides a short opportunity (5-8 minutes) to share with a large group (approx. 200-250 at a time) some of what Jesus said or did, or a story that Jesus told.

❖ **Lessons**

Teaching time contributes to the school RE/PSHE curriculum and provides opportunities for discussion in a classroom setting.

❖ ***Christmas Unwrapped and Easter Cracked***

These significant initiatives started as a one-off church centenary celebration in 1994. Local schools are invited to send their Year 6 classes to these church-based presentations of the great stories of the Gospel, which have proved to be so popular that more than 50 areas throughout the country are now involved in putting on their own events.

Each presentation aims to provide a warm welcome to the church and hopes to share something of both the Christmas and Easter miracles in a way that is memorable, interactive and engaging. Slough Baptist Church held the very first presentations and currently schedule *Easter Cracked* for March and *Christmas Unwrapped* for late November. The church provides an outline programme so that anyone wishing to hold their own event in their local area has all they need to get started.

Post-pandemic, these ministries are also available online:

'Christmas Unwrapped': <https://youtu.be/U-lcp5dOTaM>
(Recorded November 2020)

'Easter Cracked' <https://youtu.be/lv07rOYbl4M>
(Recorded January 2021)

❖ ***It's Your Move!***

It's Your Move! provides a session and resources for year 6 pupils (age 10/11) preparing to move to senior school, and is held in primary schools during late June and early July.

❖ **School Christian Groups**

Wayne Dixon's schools work began when Slough Grammar asked him to help set up a Christian group in the school. Groups like this now meet in a number of local schools, including Altwood, Burnham Grammar (Explore), Cox Green (Ignite), Newlands Girls Schools (Revive) and Windsor Girls' School (Big Questions). These groups are publicised in assemblies at the beginning of the school year.

❖ ***Examattack***

Examattack is a presentation held in most of the secondary schools Wayne visits and seeks to put exams into perspective for students. This initiative has been well received for its contribution to the life of a school in an area which is hugely important.

<http://www.examattack.org.uk/>

❖ **Inter Schools Soccer Sevens**

This is an annual competition for local schools which enter teams of students, up to and including year 10, and is held at Langley Grammar School over two evenings. In the years when there is a World Cup or European Championship, pupils receive booklets packed full of stories, facts and figures as well as testimonies from Christian sportsmen and women.

❖ ***Youth & Children 'What's On? Update***

We send out a regular email that helps publicise events, resources and more that might help churches enhance their children's and youth ministry. Churches or individuals who wish to publicise events, resources or training in their own area for anyone involved with children's, youth or schools work may also send details to us and we will include them in future updates.

❖ ***Christianity Awareness Week***

The trust undertakes to work with youth groups and churches through planning, producing and leading specific campaigns and activities in schools and the wider area. One such is *Christianity Awareness Week (Illuminate)* most recently held in Maidenhead in April 2023.

❖ **Prayer**

We believe that the most significant contribution we can make to our schools is to pray for them. There are a number of opportunities each year for particular prayer events, including Education Sunday (early September), Prayday (November) and Pray for Schools (a fortnight in May).

❖ **Primary Schools initiatives**

This short video explains our Church/Primary School initiatives and how they have developed over the past 25 years.

<https://youtu.be/OvEBYlcywRA>.

What we achieved

Summer 2022

❖ *It's Your Move!*

Throughout the term, 55 local schools enjoyed *It's Your Move* presentations, and approximately 3300 year 6 (11 year-old) pupils from most of our local primary schools were given the book, to help them make the transition to secondary school. Pupils love it, schools welcome it and it provides a great complement to other mission opportunities such as *Easter Cracked and Christmas Unwrapped*. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OM_ndo-RmOg

❖ **Desborough College RE Drop Down Day**

On the last Friday in June and first Friday in July, Desborough College held an RE Drop Down Day for all their pupils aged 11-15 (school years 7-10). Wayne was based in their hall and had a wonderful opportunity to share stories from the Bible, such as *People Jesus Met (Zach Rap)*, the Christmas and Easter stories, miracles Jesus performed and parables He told. This session was repeated four times on each occasion, and at lunch and break times Wayne had a chance to shoot some hoops on their outdoor basketball court, take some penalty shoot-outs and enjoy conversation with both staff and pupils. It was a different experience, and Wayne planned to be involved again with these pupils, along with the new year 7, as the new school year unfolded.

❖ **School Proms...Sports Days...School Productions**

The last full week of term included three school sports days, two school productions and one school prom, all of which gave Wayne different opportunities to share Jesus. At the first prom of the year, Wayne had a very interesting chat with the DJ and the traditional request from the pupils to share a Christmas Rap. At the final prom he attended, he had an interesting conversation with an 18-year-old, which involved a discussion on Mark's Gospel, a possible Alpha course and a connection with a local church he knew. Before that, Wayne was asked again to do the Zacchaeus Rap - and rapping about Jesus at several school proms is always an interesting experience! One Headteacher said it was the first time he had heard it.

At the Newlands school production, Wayne sat next to a very proud mum as her daughter took the lead role in a remarkable school production called *One Night Only*, which was written by one of the teachers and was thoroughly enjoyable. Wayne also attended some District Sports which he feels are always interesting to be part of.

❖ **Inter Schools Soccer Sevens**

The girls' Inter Schools Soccer event, which was hosted at Furze Platt, was held in June with Burnham Grammar and Eden Girls' taking part. Newlands won the competition.

Autumn 2022

❖ *Christmas Unwrapped*

Wayne loves these sessions. Having to work differently over the last few years has proved that they can be held in schools as well as churches, which provides us with another option for the future. Here are a selection of comments Wayne received from staff at the end of a session in their school.

The children loved how interactive the presentation was and they all loved the Christmas rap. Christmas Unwrapped was great and the children really enjoyed it! Thank you!

Presentation keeps children engaged the whole way through.

Clear and able to reach children at all levels.

Children so engaged and a few surprised faces.

Thank you for this Wayne. It is always a pleasure to have you. Looking forward to Easter already.

❖ **Time spent in schools**

Subjects such as tribulation, soul mates, the writers of the four gospels, sex, sin, alcohol and money, were all on the agenda during an engaging time with some Year 10 and 11 pupils at Baylis Court. Wayne hoped that good things would come from it, as it provided a wonderful opportunity to be in the classroom for a Q & A session on such a variety of topics. Another school and another question: 'How old was Zacchaeus?!'

In another school, Wayne was asked to unpack the topic of 'Salvation' for 240 pupils aged 14 and 15, as part of their RE curriculum. He was able to share some of his own story of becoming a Christian, and to explore the connection between Christmas and Easter, referring to Matthew 1:21 -*You will give him the name Jesus because He will save people from their sins*. This then led to a number of questions including the relationship between God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, euthanasia, baptism and communion.

❖ **Examattack**

In the schools Wayne visited, exams were already underway. **Examattack** is a session Wayne has presented in schools for over 30 years as it complements the work he does when talking about Jesus, and also reinforces what schools are already doing in this particular area. Cox Green, Langley Academy, Newlands Girls', William Borlase and Windsor Girls' were all visited.

<http://www.examattack.org.uk/>

(website created by Ben Rolfe who was a pupil at Desborough)

Spring 2023

❖ *Easter Cracked*

We had some very positive feedback from staff and pupils following the *Easter Focus* presentations which took place in schools during March. Ten local churches were also involved in serving well over forty schools. Wayne had the chance to be involved with a greater number of schools than ever before, with the result that he ran out of pupil booklets. More books were ordered, so that all the schools who wanted the presentation were able to have them to use during the session.

On a similar note, after a lunchtime visit to Langley Grammar, Wayne called into Langley Free Church to find Marish enjoying *Easter Cracked*. He was very encouraged to see this Langley church continuing its long-standing relationship with one of its local schools.

The online version, which was recorded by members of the team at Slough Baptist Church, has also been very successful.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lv07rOYbl4M>

Staff feedback:

'The presentation was brilliant. I have seen this for 5 years being in Year 6 and each year it gets better. Wayne is fab at delivering this.'

'As always, a fantastic, fun, informative + interactive afternoon.'

'A great opportunity for the children to discover facts about Easter themselves.'

'Excellent. Informative and engaging.'

'The children (and staff) love this (the Rap).'

❖ **In the Classroom**

On Tuesday 7 February, Wayne arrived at Dedworth Middle School for another *RE Drop Down* day. The topic was *Forgiveness* and gave him an opportunity to share in a Q & A with five classes; to unpack Luke 23:34 (*Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing"*), and to tell them about the miracle of Easter. He had conversations with a number of staff and lunch with some year 7's, but on this occasion, there was no time for table-tennis! However, the week before at Windsor Boys', he was given the same opportunities, using the same three items he later used at Dedworth – laptop, Bible and table-tennis bat. He very much enjoyed playing 'winner stays on' with some of the boys before they came into the hall for registration and assembly, and thanks God for such opportunities.

❖ Eden Girls' and Eton College

A taste of the great variety which comes with being a local schools worker: on one morning Wayne was at Eden Girls, where at the start of a lesson there was a prayer in Arabic which was then translated into English. Eden Girls' is an Islamic school which he has been visiting for many years, to share about Jesus and the Christian faith. Later Wayne was invited into Eton College to talk about Jesus with a few hundred teenage boys. Such a contrast, and what a privilege, for which he is very grateful.

Throughout the year

❖ Encouragements

'Having not grown up in a Christian home, my perception of "religious people" or "Christians" was that they were very serious and sung strange songs in old dusty buildings. Religion wasn't relevant to me or my life at all, I'd never opened a Bible. It was an eye opening and challenging experience to have Wayne visit my school back then. Someone genuine, funny and passionate about Jesus teaching me about him not because I needed to know about it to pass an exam, but because I needed to know Jesus! As a kid who hadn't ever been to church this was different - it stood out, I hadn't been communicated to like this before. I didn't even know this stuff could be communicated at my level, in a way I could understand. The old stories you roughly know of from the Bible come to life when someone who really believes it stands up and tells you what it actually means. No one spells out to you from reading the nice story about the feeding of the 5000 in RS lessons that Jesus came to save the world from sin, and that we need to repent and believe. It just doesn't happen unless faithful Christians get out there and tell you.

Through a friend I later looked more proactively into following Jesus and joined my local church. There were more people like Wayne, talking to me about their faith in a way I could understand, and it opened my eyes completely to how important the work is that he is doing. Most of the school population will never step foot in a church so bringing this to them at school is so important, a huge opportunity.

Later, once I had committed to following Jesus it was a huge encouragement to see Wayne visit again at secondary school. This thing I kept telling my friends about wasn't just a weird thing I'd become obsessed with, but a real thing other people believed, and they needed to think about it too.' - **Sarah, a school leaver in 2010, whom Wayne met recently**

'It's now nearly three decades since I started at Slough / Upton Grammar School. I have many happy memories of my time there, and key among these is the impact of our Scripture Union Schools Worker, Wayne Dixon...As a young Christian, with few other Christians in the school, let alone in my year, having someone like Wayne who would teach the gospel faithfully and in a way that engaged my friends was invaluable. He was so approachable, helping them see Christianity differently, and giving me the confidence to speak out about my faith. And when, in 6th form, I took on leading the

Christian Union, Wayne was really encouraging, supporting me both in prayer and practically. It made such a difference. - **Julia, January 2023**

'...you have dedicated your working life to enhancing children's lives in so many ways with your engaging assemblies and pre-exam sessions. This has made such a difference to so many people...' - **A local headteacher**

❖ **Hanging Around Ministry (HAM)**

Whether it's general chatting with staff and students, trying his hand at basketball, playing table-tennis, or listening to difficult questions, HAM continues to be one of Wayne's most significant ministries. Wednesday 22 March was one of those memorable days. It started before an assembly when Wayne chatted with a parent who told him he was an ex-pupil at Furze Platt Senior, the very place where Wayne's day finished hours later at an event called *Building Bridges* (more information available on request). Sandwiched between the two, the unexpected occurred at Burnham Grammar, where Wayne called in to chat with students and staff. It happened to be their delayed World Book Day and one year 11 was wearing his Arsenal football shirt! If Wayne had known it was a non-uniform day he would have worn his! Just before leaving he visited Rachel, one of the RE staff, with whom he shared the last lesson of the day, as her Year 11 exam group revised Christian practices, worship, Easter and more. She then asked if Wayne might like to stay and answer questions from the pupils, which proved to be a helpful and informative hour. Towards the end of the session, Wayne was asked for the *Zach Rap*, so they found the backing track on YouTube and off he went! As he left, Wayne praised God for Hanging Around Ministry and the chance to assist and share, amongst other things, the Easter miracle with those 16-year-old students.

❖ **A prayer for peace**

Wayne has repeatedly observed that many children, young people and adults are still struggling in the aftermath of the pandemic. For staff, headteachers, parents, carers or pupils there appears to be a tough and tricky road ahead. Wayne's prayer is that the genuine peace of God will prove to be a help to all of us in these troubled times. To this end, he has been doing an assembly based on *Be Still*, the words that Jesus spoke in Mark 4:35-41 as he calmed the storm. A number of staff in different schools have shown appreciation as they have come into the hall and seen the subject and Bible passage on the screen before the session starts.

There are various initiatives available both in school and out of school, all of which we promote. Examples include *Rooted* and *Kintsugi* groups and a mental health and wellbeing suite developed by Scripture Union. We also promote conferences and training provided by other organisations with which we have a relationship, such as Scripture Union's *Shine in Schools*.

News from the Trust

❖ Anniversary celebration

CCIS marked its tenth anniversary in October, and it was great to have the chance to give thanks to God for many years of schools work at our celebration event, held on Friday 14th October at Jubilee Community Church in Maidenhead. We were able to worship together, and to pause and pray for the Christians in our schools every day, as well as hearing about some opportunities coming up for the months and years ahead. We were challenged by our speaker Rachel Gardner (the founder of Romance Academy and an author, volunteer youth worker, President of the Girls' Brigade and a former Schools Worker in Harrow), as she shared from Psalm 22 & John 4: *Dig your own well – Seek out the thirstiest – Share out the living water.*

CCiS Celebration: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jvyCfv4TbiE&t=2s>

❖ Primary Schools Development Worker

The trustees continue to investigate ways to expand the role of CCiS in primary schools. Although we received several applications when we advertised for a Primary Schools Development Worker, we decided not to proceed until we had given more thought to the requirements of this post. To this end, we have sought and received input from other local Christian schools' work organisations, which has proved to be very helpful and given us insights which are allowing us to re-evaluate our approach.

❖ The Jem Sewell Fund

Since its inception in October 2022, we have been administering the *Jem Sewell Fund*, which helps children and young people from schools in Slough, Windsor and Maidenhead to attend a Scripture Union Holiday. Jem Sewell was the instigator of both *Easter Cracked* and *Christmas Unwrapped*, and was minister at Slough Baptist Church for many years before being called to Westbourne Park Baptist Church. He was a husband, father, brother and friend, with a passion for Jesus, and was chair of Wayne's support group when he was with Scripture Union. He died suddenly in November 2020 and is hugely missed by all of us who loved him.

Jem's daughter, Bryony, has recorded a video to explain the purpose of the fund, which was first shown at CCiS's celebration event:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XjlnB44MKVk>

We ask donors to indicate clearly that they are contributing to this particular fund, so that we can specifically allocate donations for that purpose. Cheques should be made payable to *Christian Connections in Schools*, with *Jem Sewell Fund* written on the back.

❖ *Illuminate*

Illuminate with LZ7 & Saintz was planned for late April 2023, with preparations taking place throughout the year. It aimed to help make Jesus known to young people and staff in the six schools (Altwood, Churchmead, Cox Green,

Desborough College, Furze Platt Senior and Newlands Girls) which participated in school based sessions held during the week; and to the young people who would attend the end of week concert at Braywick Leisure Centre on Friday 28th April 2023.

Various initiatives were arranged both to pray for and to prepare churches; to train volunteers; and to allow Christian young people to come together in advance of the planned events. These included evening meetings held on 28th October 2022 and 28th February 2023. Fundraising took place throughout this period, though a shortfall of several thousand pounds was predicted.

Christianity Awareness Week itself took place after the date of this Annual Report, so a fuller review will be given next year. However, some 5000 young people were impacted by the sessions and concert, and lessons were learned for future events and consequent follow-up activities.

❖ Other responsibilities

The trustees have been working on policies and IT backup to enable CCiS to continue to run safely and securely, and have assisted with the arrangements for *Illuminate*, which took place in late April 2023.

Communication

CCiS communicates through a variety of sources, including regular termly newsletters, delivered either electronically or through the post. There is a well-presented website which includes news of forthcoming events: <http://ccischools.org.uk/about-ccis/>

Wayne sends news of his own and other initiatives through regular monthly emails to all his contacts. These include his *Youth and Children's What's On* update and *Pause to Pray*, where the need to pray for particular concerns is highlighted.

Giving

To maintain and develop the work in our schools we are looking for individuals and churches prayerfully to consider giving to CCiS in the following ways:

- Visit <https://www.cafonline.org/>
- Make a bank transfer to *Christian Connections in Schools*, sort code 40 52 40, account number 00032898
- Send a cheque (payable to *Christian Connections in Schools*) to: The Treasurer, CCiS, Westfield, 3c College Avenue, Maidenhead SL6 6AR
- Leave a bequest to CCiS, using our charity name *Christian Connections in Schools* and registered number 1150149

The trustees are very grateful to all those who support us in their different ways, most especially over these recent difficult years.

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The Charities Act 2011 requires the trustees to prepare a statement of accounts for each financial year, which comply with the regulations made under that act.

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

Charity law in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of its financial activities for that period.

In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

1. Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
2. Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
3. State whether the policies adopted are in accordance with the appropriate SORP on Accounting by Charities and the Accounting Regulations and with applicable accounting standards, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
4. Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Accounting Standards and Statements of Recommended Practice and the regulations made under s145 of the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approval

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Annual Report above and the Financial Report for the period 6th April 2022 to 5th April 2023. The trustees authorised Mr Alan Peter Symons (Chair) to sign on their behalf.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:

Alan Symons

Alan Peter Symons (Chair)

Date: 23/11/23

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees

I report on my examination of the accounts of the charity Christian Connections in Schools for the period from 6th April 2022 to 5th April 2023.

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 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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.

Heidi Auero-Fox

Heidi Auero-Fox ACA

Date: 18/12/23

Financial Report (attached as separate document)



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FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name Christian Connections in Schools	No (if any) 1150149
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 06/04/2022	To	Period end date 05/04/2023
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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	49,631	11,203	-	60,834	63,412
Gift Aid	4,466	250	-	4,716	3,754
Interest	657	-	-	657	30
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	54,754	11,453	-	66,207	67,196
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	54,754	11,453	-	66,207	67,196
A3 Payments					
Employment-related	41,097	-	-	41,097	39,104
Travel	3,444	-	-	3,444	2,127
Telephone	74	-	-	74	73
Insurance	491	-	-	491	491
IT support, payroll processing, bank charges	604	-	-	604	744
Stationery and resources	2,544	345	-	2,889	8,021
Recruitment	-	-	-	-	555
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	48,253	345	-	48,598	51,114
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	48,253	345	-	48,598	51,114
Net of receipts/(payments)	6,500	11,108	-	17,608	16,082
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	119,165	986	-	120,151	104,069
Cash funds this year end	125,665	12,094	-	137,759	120,151

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 at bank	125,665	12,094	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	125,665	12,094	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

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	Computer equipment	Unrestricted	2,017	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

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
	R G Thorogood	R G THOROGOOD	23/11/2023
	Alan Symons	ALAN SYMONS	23/11/2023

CHRISTIAN CONNECTIONS IN SCHOOLS

England & Wales - Charity number 1150149

Accounts

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Christian Connections in Schools has a vision to make Jesus known in primary and secondary schools in Slough, Windsor and Maidenhead, through partnership with local churches and as a mission partner with Scripture Union. This is achieved through a broad spectrum of work, ranging from assemblies and lessons and supporting Christian groups, to large scale events and residential trips.

Currently we employ Wayne Dixon who works in a number of secondary schools in the area and was previously the Scripture Union schools worker for Slough, Windsor and Maidenhead for 25 years. We aim to sustain him in continuing and enlarging this role, through administering the support offered by churches and individuals who value the outstanding relationships he enjoys with staff and students alike.

The Trust is governed by a Trust Deed which states that the principal purpose of the charity is to advance the Christian faith among children, young people and families, particularly in schools and in conjunction with the churches in the area of Slough, Windsor and Maidenhead.

Public benefits include advancing the Christian faith among children, young people and families through education, training and religious activities, achieved by undertaking school assemblies and lessons; Hanging Around Ministry; seasonal courses/teaching in schools and churches on occasions such as Easter and Christmas; working with and promoting the wider work and aims of Scripture Union; working with youth groups and churches; and planning, producing and

leading specific campaigns/activities in wider areas such as Christianity Awareness Week.

Trustees

Trustees are drawn from local churches and are appointed with regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the charity. Trustees are appointed for a term of three years, except for those who were responsible for setting up the trust, whose terms of initial appointment varied. All trustees are in their second or subsequent term of office, except Grant Hallam, who was newly appointed in August 2020.

Revd Andrew John Perryman (Chair until August 2021)

Mr Alan Peter Symons (Chair from August 2021)

Mr Robert James Miles (Secretary)

Mr Richard Geoffrey Thorogood (Treasurer)

Revd Peter Thomas Cranch (Finance)

Mrs Pauline Catherine Scott (Communications)

Mr Grant Hallam (Data Protection)

The Trust works with children and vulnerable people and trustees have jointly and individually declared that they have carried out all trustee eligibility tests that are required by law.

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Policies and Procedures

Type of governing document: Trust Deed, adopted September 20th, 2012.

The Trust has documented policies covering safeguarding children and young people; work related stressors; parental, maternity and paternity leave; disciplinary, grievances and complaints; financial controls, financial reserves and investments; paying employees; conflicts of interest and anti-bribery. Our GDPR policy is currently being reviewed, in particular to include specifics of our new data storage solution which is currently being developed.

Annual report: April 2021-April 2022

Aims and values

We aim to advance the Christian faith among children, young people and families, particularly in schools and in conjunction with the churches in the area of Slough, Windsor and Maidenhead.

We endeavour to do this through:

Partnership with local churches, individuals and Christians in schools.

Developing good **Relationships** with individuals and schools.

Respecting the school environment as a place of education and the beliefs of others.

Seeking for our work to be **Relevant** in how we communicate the good news of Jesus as it is revealed to us in the Bible.

What we do: <https://player.vimeo.com/video/228468467>

In everything we do, our intention is to engage with all those in schools (students, teachers and support staff) and to encourage and support Christians in schools by using words and actions.

❖ ***Hanging Around Ministry - HAM***

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These significant initiatives started as a one-off church centenary celebration in 1994. Local schools are invited to send their Year 6 classes to these church-based presentations of the great stories of the Gospel, which have proved to be so popular that more than 50 areas throughout the country are now involved in putting on their own events.

Each presentation aims to provide a warm welcome to the church and hopes to share something of both the Christmas and Easter miracles in a way that is memorable, interactive and engaging. Slough Baptist Church held the very first presentations and currently schedule *Easter Cracked* for March and *Christmas Unwrapped* for late November. The church provides an outline programme so that anyone wishing to hold their own event in their local area has all they need to get started.

❖ ***It's Your Move!***

It's Your Move! entails an hour-long session for year 6 pupils (age 10/11) and is held in primary schools during late June and early July for children preparing to move to senior school.

❖ **School Christian Groups**

Wayne Dixon's schools work began when Slough Grammar asked him to help set up a Christian group in the school. Groups like this

now meet in a number of local schools, including Altwood, Burnham Grammar (Explore), Cox Green (Ignite), Newlands Girls Schools (Revive) and Windsor Girls' School (Big Questions). These groups are publicised in assemblies at the beginning of the school year.

❖ **Examattack**

'Examattack' is a presentation held in most of the secondary schools Wayne visits and seeks to put exams into perspective for students. This initiative has been well received for its contribution to the life of a school in an area which is hugely important.

<http://www.examattack.org.uk/>

❖ **Inter Schools Soccer Sevens**

This is an annual competition for local schools which enter teams of students, up to and including year 10, and is held at Langley Grammar School over two evenings. In the years when there is a World Cup or European Championship, pupils receive booklets packed full of stories, facts and figures as well as testimonies from Christian sportsmen and women.

❖ **Youth & Children 'What's On? Update**

We send out a regular email that helps publicise events, resources and more that might help churches enhance their children's and youth ministry. Churches or individuals who wish to publicise events, resources or training in their own area for anyone involved with children's, youth or schools work may also send details to us and we will include them in future updates.

❖ **Christianity Awareness Week**

The trust undertakes to work with youth groups and churches through planning, producing and leading specific campaigns and activities in schools and the wider area. One such is Christianity Awareness Week (Illuminate Windsor & Slough), most recently held in October 2018.

❖ **Prayer**

We believe that the most significant contribution we can make to our schools is to pray for them. There are a number of opportunities each year for particular prayer events, including Education Sunday (early September), Prayday (November) and Pray for Schools (a fortnight in May).

❖ **Primary Schools initiatives**

This short video explains our Church/Primary School initiatives and how they have developed over the past 25 years.

<https://youtu.be/OvEBYlycwRA>.

What we achieved

Summer 2021

❖ *It's Your Move!*

Praise God – we started this year's presentations with almost three thousand *It's Your Move!* books and at the end of them there just thirty left. Wayne had visited forty-nine schools and did more than fifty presentations (mostly in-person), giving them the chance to share the book and the stories of people Jesus met. Sadly, we could not accommodate every school, so we recorded a presentation which we could send to schools if we were unable to be present in person. The result gives a good flavour of how an *It's Your Move!* session works, and can be accessed via the link below. Pupils love it, schools welcome it and it provides a great complement to other mission opportunities such as *Easter Cracked* and *Christmas Unwrapped*.

https://youtu.be/OM_ndo-RmOg

During one of the presentations, a year 6 pupil asked Wayne '*What happens if I am not good enough?*' The question was not easy to answer, but Wayne did his best and prayed that God would bless his reply. The question shows that initiatives like *It's Your Move!* are needed now more than ever, especially since the disruption caused by the pandemic. Wayne was much more encouraged by the question '*What inspires you?*', as it gave him a chance to share some of his story about how he became a Christian, the difference Jesus makes and why he loves being in schools.

Feedback from both staff and pupils was very good. A child from Larchfield Primary School, who reviewed the book for us, said:

'When I received the book, It's Your Move, it had fun activities and brain refreshers. The book is colourful, enjoyable and most of all communicative, it almost felt like I was conversing with them. My favourite part would probably be the top 40 survival tips. Ultimately, I would like to reiterate that It's Your Move! is a great book, and I would suggest this book to any Year 6 pupil who is intimidated about going to their new secondary school.'

Others said:

'When Wayne was asked to rap one of his songs, the class loved it. In fact, the children have now begun to write and perform their own rap about transitions. Thank you so much Wayne. You really are a star! Thank you CCiS for providing such an excellent service (and books) for our children.'

'Wayne delivered a fantastic assembly which covered a wide range of topics and questions the children had ahead of transition. He made the presentation interactive and engaging for the children.'

'I couldn't recommend Wayne and your service enough! The presentations have a lasting impacting on the children and are always remembered fondly as being great experiences to be a part of.'

'It's Your Move has helped me enormously and has made me feel more confident about going to secondary school, something which until recently seemed extremely daunting. The book, along with the two assemblies with Wayne, have taught me that it is totally normal to be scared of older children, getting lost and not fitting in. My favourite part was the statistics because it showed me I wasn't alone in my worries. This book is amazing and I recommend it to any year 6 transitioning to secondary school.'

'Before It's Your Move I felt a mixture of excitement and worry. I had so many questions about making new friends and what I'd need to take, but when Wayne came, all my questions were answered, and I discovered that others were nervous too. When I got the It's Your Move book there were a variety of activities and top tips. My favourite part was the top 40 survival tips as they told you to be yourself and it will definitely guide me through the early days of secondary school. I would recommend this book to anyone who wants some tips to help them in the next step of their life.'

❖ Interview on Premier Christian Radio : Dare to Share

Wayne recorded an interview for Premier Christian Radio, which was broadcast on May 28th.

<https://www.premierchristianradio.com/Shows/Weekday/Inspirational-Breakfast-with-Michael-Fanstone/Interviews/Dare-to-Share-Week-Making-Jesus-known-to-children-and-young-people>

❖ Windsor Boys' and Windsor Girls' Staff Prayer Group

Prayer is the most significant contribution we can make to our schools. Wayne was at Windsor Girls' for an in-person assembly at the beginning of June, and a staff member told him that she was very keen to start a staff prayer group. Wayne was greatly encouraged as over the years he has found that these groups have

worked so much better when initiated from within. A few weeks later, on a Monday evening, a number of staff from both the boys' and girls' schools met on ZOOM and Wayne was able to join them as they prayed and chatted for an hour. They plan to continue these groups either termly or whenever the staff feel appropriate. Praise God - and maybe in the years ahead Christian staff in other schools will connect, encourage, and pray either in school, church or on ZOOM.

Autumn 2021

❖ Time spent in schools

Eden Girls School

"How did Jesus change the lives of the people he met?", was the topic Wayne shared with Eden Girls School. The feedback was very positive.

Wayne Dixon gave year 8 students an inspiring, fascinating & entertaining Christianity lesson today on Zacchaeus the tax collector - thanks Wayne! (Rhama Eden Girls' School November 2021

"It was very helpful for us as a Muslim faith school to hear from someone with a personal Christian perspective. The topic was interesting, simple, and delivered in an exciting way for students". (Sabiha, Eden Girls' School: November 2021)

You are very special! The lost sheep: Luke 15:1-7

Wayne spoke from this passage at Courthouse, Eton Wick First, Larchfield, Lowbrook, Marish, Oldfield, St. Bernard's Prep, St. Mary's Farnham Royal, St. Peter's Middle, Wessex and Willow. In each school it was very well received as an appropriate message for both pupils and staff during uncertain times.

❖ Conferences and training

Wayne attended The National Youth Ministry Weekend, as well as the twice delayed Scripture Union Weekend Conference, *Revealing Jesus*. Both blessed him as connections were made and wisdom shared. The Saturday morning session at the SU conference, led by Laura Hancock from *British Youth for Christ*, was particularly moving when she reminded delegates that: "we're not here because of a programme or a strategy, but because God has broken our hearts for children and young people!"

❖ Christmas Unwrapped

Wayne was deeply moved by *Christmas Unwrapped*. Despite a different format, due to restrictions caused by the pandemic, the staff comments below prove that it remains a significant blessing. Ten of our local churches worked with approximately forty schools, with many others having a similar impact around the whole country and beyond.

“Very informative! Activities are fun and engaging. Children enjoyed the quizzes and learning more about Christmas! The presentation was very well put together and engaging for the children. There were talking breaks between the videos which helped as children were sitting for the duration. It was nicely broken down in different sections to make it easier to memorise and then retell.”

Spring 2022

❖ Easter opportunities

Wayne performed an Easter Rap (written by Sarah Smart), during an assembly at St. Joseph’s School and the Year 9 pupils received it with great enthusiasm. In the classrooms Wayne focused on *The Easter Miracle*, and was asked about Judas by one Year 6 pupil; and by another about what would have happened if Jesus had not gone through with the events of Easter. So many of these questions are fascinating, but they require wisdom, so Wayne appreciates prayer for God’s leading when faced with them during his visits to our schools.

❖ Easter Cracked

Wayne was doubtful if the format of *Easter Cracked* could be adapted for our new circumstances, but the online version which was recorded by members of the team at Slough Baptist Church, has been very successful. <https://youtu.be/lv07rOYbl4M>

Even so, having been involved personally with these presentations for over twenty-five years, Wayne was thrilled to be back in school halls like Claycots Town Centre Campus, where 120 year 6 children were thoroughly engaged. At one point he paused and reflected that at that exact time there were at least two further sessions going on for other schools in local churches, as well as others taking place around the country. This remains the most significant area of work in which Wayne has been involved as a Schools Worker.

❖ Church/school partnerships

We continue to ask supporters if they are connected to churches which could be involved with a neighbouring school. Locally there are now ten churches partnering with well over forty schools and In February we held a prayer time via ZOOM for these church/school initiatives. One of those who works in this way, (although outside our area) sent this encouragement:

“Easter and Christmas provide wonderful natural opportunities to invite and then work alongside our local communities to share the wonderful, good news of Jesus. Creating a fun, interactive Easter and Christmas workshop becomes such a very positive memorable experience for the children from our local schools. We build connections with them and the staff, the church prays, God is at work. Can’t recommend getting involved enough”. (Katie, Bath)

❖ **Examattack**

Wayne has been presenting *Examattack* in schools for over 30 years and this year for parents/carers, staff and especially pupils, the repercussions of Covid absences etc. were still being felt. However, it was good to share the presentations and then have some conversations with staff and pupils either side of a session.

Throughout the year

❖ **Some general feedback from staff:**

“Wayne’s assemblies are always well received. He has an engaging and humorous style and an ability to connect with students. His messages are always thought-provoking, helping students reflect on the biblical story and how it might be relevant today” (David, Langley Grammar School: March 2022)

“A real pleasure to have Wayne in school. Fantastic rapport with children. Incredible positive presence ” (March 2022)

“Linked in exceptionally well with the unit of work we are currently studying as we are exploring who Jesus was, why he is important to Christians and what Christians take from Jesus’ teachings and actions.” (Trevelyan Middle School: January 2022)

“RE can be a challenging subject to teach whilst keeping in mind the diversity that exists in most classrooms. For children to engage with it and understand the messages, having input from CCIS is invaluable”

❖ **Before and Beyond**

Whenever he visits a school, Wayne continues to find an element of what he calls *Before and Beyond*. For example, Windsor Girls' has a group called *Big Questions* that meets on a Tuesday. 'Before' starts on arrival in reception when he signs in, as it provides an opportunity to connect with staff and students on a variety of matters. Next comes the actual session, which is a wonderful opportunity to share Jesus with pupils and staff. 'Beyond' happens afterwards, and on one occasion, he was able to chat with some senior pupils, making connections with the visit of LZ7 to their school in October 2018, when they were aged 15.

❖ **Hangin' Around Ministry (HAM)**

Whether it's general chatting with staff and students, trying his hand at basketball, playing table-tennis, or listening to difficult questions, HAM continues to be one of Wayne's most significant ministries. These special times linger long in the memory, and Nicola, now a Vicar in Newbury, sent this encouragement following a webinar in which Wayne took part, and a conversation which followed:

Thinking back to my days at WGS (Windsor Girls School) I always remember your visits as a day we looked forward to. It went such a long way to have a Christian presence in the school that made faith relatable and understandable to us. I always remember that you came to sit with us and talk to us during our lunch break so we could tell that you cared about us individually and wanted to hear from us. The assemblies were always fun and engaging too, I think most of my friends still remember them!

❖ **Prayer**

We held *Prayer Focus* meetings for CCiS & Scripture Union on ZOOM in September, February and May. Wayne's *Pause to Pray* bulletins were launched over twenty years ago and still encourage supporters to pray for our schools via a monthly update.

❖ **Partnership ministries**

Through conversations with headteachers, other staff and especially young people over the past two years, we have become increasingly aware of the need to promote their well-being. There are various initiatives available both in school and out of school, all of which we promote. Examples include *Rooted* and *Kintsugi* groups and a mental health and wellbeing suite developed by Scripture Union. We also promote conferences and training provided by other organisations with which we have a relationship, such as Scripture Union's *Shine in Schools*.

News from the Trust

❖ Andy Perryman (former CCIS chair)

Andy stepped down as Chair of CCIS in August 2021. We were very sorry to lose him, as he had served CCIS so well and so faithfully, but were delighted for him and his family on their move to a new ministry on the south coast. We sent him the following message:

A massive thank you to Andy who has been our chair since Wayne's move from Scripture Union in 2012. He has led the tricky path from national organisation to a team who are focused on the needs of our local churches to inspire a "reach out" to young people in our area --- Christian Connections In Schools.

During those nine years of leadership and dedication Andy has ensured all the "necessaries" (banking, payrolls, charity registration, staff checks, web site design, person specs, hosting and organising meetings, policies, forms of reports, raising support from churches etc. etc. etc.) have been done efficiently. But (and here is the difficult bit and something we can easily make a mistake with) ... everything put in their right place!!! He has ensured the focusing and enabling of the ministry of Wayne to spread the amazing word of God to our local young people. All this has been made possible by Andy's clear-sighted leadership, his evident practice of listening to God and also his readiness to listen to the other trustees.

What can we say? Just to wish Andy God's blessings in his new place (geographically) but we rest assured that he will be continuing his brilliant work in building God's kingdom in a way that enables people with many different God given gifts to work as an amazing team!!

Andy's role was subsequently taken by Alan Symons, one of our long-standing trustees, and we are very grateful to him for his willingness to serve in this way.

❖ Anniversary celebration

CCiS is 10 years old this year. There will be an opportunity to give thanks to God on Friday 14th October, when Jubilee Community Church, Maidenhead, will be hosting our celebration event. Rachel Gardner, the founder of Romance Academy and an author, volunteer youth worker, President of the Girls' Brigade and a former Schools Worker in Harrow, will be our guest speaker. This will be a chance to pause, pray, reflect, worship and enjoy fellowship. Details of the event itself can be found at <https://wearejubilee.churchsuite.com/events/bgppkon0>

❖ Primary Schools Development Worker

Despite extensive advertising throughout the spring term, we were still unable to fill this role, which would allow us to extend our work into primary schools more effectively. To help promote the work we do, and our hopes for the future, trustees are willing to visit churches to share our vision with congregations and leadership teams.

Primary Schools Development Worker: Slough, Windsor and Maidenhead



Salary: £23,000-26,000

Christian Connections in Schools (CCiS) require a full time primary school development worker to help make Jesus known in our local schools, and to work alongside our experienced secondary schools worker. The role includes establishing and maintaining contact with local churches; advocating the Christian faith, lifestyle and support work with children and young people predominantly in primary, first and middle schools; and recruiting, equipping and supporting volunteers. The role will include some weekend and evening commitments. We are willing to consider a part time worker or job share.

This role has an occupational requirement to be filled by a practising Christian.

Further details are available from Pauline Scott on info@ccischools.org.uk

Communication

CCiS communicates through a variety of sources, including regular termly newsletters, delivered either electronically or through the post. There is a well- presented website which includes news of forthcoming events: <http://ccischools.org.uk/about-ccis/>

Wayne sends news of his own and other initiatives through regular monthly emails to all his contacts. These include his *Youth and Children's What's On* update and *Pause to Pray*, where the need to pray for particular concerns is highlighted.

Giving

To maintain and develop the work in our schools we are looking for individuals and churches prayerfully to consider giving to CCIIS in the following ways:

- Visit <https://www.cafonline.org/>
- Make a bank transfer to *Christian Connections in Schools*, sort code 40 52 40, account number 00032898
- Send a cheque (payable to *Christian Connections in Schools*) to:
The Treasurer, CCIIS, Westfield, 3c
College Avenue, Maidenhead SL6 6AR
- Leave a bequest to CCIIS, using our charity name *Christian Connections in Schools* and registered number 1150149

The trustees are very grateful to all those who support us in their different ways, most especially over this difficult period.

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The Charities Act 2011 requires the trustees to prepare a statement of accounts for each financial year, which comply with the regulations made under that act.

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

Charity law in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of its financial activities for that period.

In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

1. Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
2. Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
3. State whether the policies adopted are in accordance with the appropriate SORP on Accounting by Charities and the Accounting Regulations and with applicable accounting standards, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
4. Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Accounting Standards and Statements of Recommended Practice and the regulations made under s145 of the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approval

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Annual Report above and the Financial Report for the period 6th April 2021 to 5th April 2022. The trustees authorised Mr Alan Peter Symons (Chair) to sign on their behalf.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:

Alan Symons

Alan Peter Symons (Chair)

Date: 22 September 2022



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name Christian Connections in Schools	No (if any) 1150149
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 06/04/2021	To	Period end date 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					
Donations	60,479	2,933	-	63,412	51,069
Gift Aid	3,754	-	-	3,754	4,289
CJRS grant	-	-	-	-	10,031
Interest	30	-	-	30	4
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	64,264	2,933	-	67,196	65,394
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	64,264	2,933	-	67,196	65,394
A3 Payments					
Employment-related	39,104	-	-	39,104	38,196
Travel	2,127	-	-	2,127	292
Telephone	73	-	-	73	75
Insurance	491	-	-	491	491
IT support, payroll processing, bank charges	744	-	-	744	678
Stationery and resources	1,327	6,694	-	8,021	815
Recruitment	555	-	-	555	207
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	44,420	6,694	-	51,114	40,754
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	44,420	6,694	-	51,114	40,754
Net of receipts/(payments)	19,843	- 3,761	-	16,082	24,640
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	99,321	4,748	-	104,069	79,429
Cash funds this year end	119,165	986	-	120,151	104,069

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 at bank	119,165	986	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	119,165	986	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

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	Computer equipment	Unrestricted	2,017	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

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
	Alan Symons	ALAN SYMONS	22/09/2022
	R G Thorogood	RICHARD THOROGOOD	22/09/2022

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees

I report on my examination of the accounts of the charity Christian Connections in Schools for the period from 6th April 2021 to 5th April 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 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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.

Heidi Auero-Fox

Heidi Auero-Fox

Date: 28 September 2022

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Christian Connections in Schools has a vision to make Jesus known in primary and secondary schools in Slough, Windsor and Maidenhead, through partnership with local churches and as a mission partner with Scripture Union. This is achieved through a broad spectrum of work, ranging from assemblies and lessons and supporting Christian groups, to large scale events and residential trips.

Currently we employ Wayne Dixon who works in a number of secondary schools in the area and was previously the Scripture Union schools worker for Slough, Windsor and Maidenhead for 25 years. We aim to sustain him in continuing and enlarging this role, through administering the support offered by churches and individuals who value the outstanding relationships he enjoys with staff and students alike.

The Trust is governed by a Trust Deed which states that the principal purpose of the charity is to advance the Christian faith among children, young people and families, particularly in schools and in conjunction with the churches in the area of Slough, Windsor and Maidenhead.

Public benefits include advancing the Christian faith among children, young people and families through education, training and religious activities, achieved by undertaking school assemblies and lessons; Hanging Around Ministry; seasonal courses/teaching in schools and churches on occasions such as Easter and Christmas; working with and promoting the wider work and aims of Scripture Union; working with youth groups and churches; and planning, producing and leading specific campaigns/activities in wider areas such as Christianity Awareness Week.

Trustees

Trustees are drawn from local churches and are appointed with regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the charity. Trustees are appointed for a term of three years, except for those who were responsible for setting up the trust, whose terms of initial appointment varied. All trustees are in their second or subsequent term of office, except Grant Hallam, who was newly appointed in August 2020.

Revd Andrew John Perryman (Chair until August 2021)

Mr Alan Peter Symons (Chair from August 2021)

Mr Robert James Miles (Secretary)

Mr Richard Geoffrey Thorogood (Treasurer)

Revd Peter Thomas Cranch (Finance)

Mrs Pauline Catherine Scott (Communications)

Mr Grant Hallam (Data Protection)

The Trust works with children and vulnerable people and trustees have jointly and individually declared that they have carried out all trustee eligibility tests that are required by law.

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Policies and Procedures

Type of governing document: Trust Deed, adopted September 20th, 2012.

The Trust has documented policies covering safeguarding children and young people; work related stressors; parental, maternity and paternity leave; disciplinary, grievances and complaints; financial controls, financial reserves and investments; paying employees; conflicts of interest and anti-bribery. Our GDPR policy is currently being reviewed to include specifics of data storage.

Annual report: April 2020-April 2021

Aims and values

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We endeavour to do this through:

Partnership with local churches, individuals and Christians in schools.

Developing good **Relationships** with individuals and schools.

Respecting the school environment as a place of education and the beliefs of others.

Seeking for our work to be **Relevant** in how we communicate the good news of Jesus as it is revealed to us in the Bible.

What we do: <https://player.vimeo.com/video/228468467>

In everything we do, our intention is to engage with all those in schools (students, teachers and support staff) and to encourage and support Christians in schools by using words and actions.

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Teaching time contributes to the school RE/PSHE curriculum and provides opportunities for discussion in a classroom setting.

❖ ***Christmas Unwrapped and Easter Cracked***

These significant initiatives started as a one-off church centenary celebration in 1994. Local schools are invited to send their Year 6 classes to these church-based presentations of the great stories of the Gospel, which have proved to be so popular that more than 50 areas throughout the country are now involved in putting on their own events.

Each presentation aims to provide a warm welcome to the church and hopes to share something of both the Christmas and Easter miracles in a way that is memorable, interactive and engaging. Slough Baptist Church held the very first presentations and currently schedule *Easter Cracked* for March and *Christmas Unwrapped* for late November. The church provides an outline programme so that anyone wishing to hold their own event in their local area has all they need to get started.

❖ ***It's Your Move!***

It's Your Move! entails an hour-long session for year 6 pupils (age 10/11) and is held in primary schools during late June and early July for children preparing to move to senior school.

❖ **School Christian Groups**

Wayne Dixon's schools work began when Slough Grammar asked him to help set up a Christian group in the school. Groups like this now meet in a number

of local schools, including Altwood, Burnham Grammar (Explore), Cox Green (Ignite) and Windsor Girls' School (Big Questions). These groups are publicised in assemblies at the beginning of the school year.

❖ **Examattack**

'Examattack' is a presentation held in most of the secondary schools Wayne visits and seeks to put exams into perspective for students. This initiative has been well received for its contribution to the life of a school in an area which is hugely important.

<http://www.examattack.org.uk/>

❖ **Inter Schools Soccer Sevens**

This is an annual competition for local schools which enter teams of students, up to and including year 10, and is held at Langley Grammar School over two evenings. In the years when there is a World Cup or European Championship, pupils receive booklets packed full of stories, facts and figures as well as testimonies from Christian sportsmen and women.

❖ **Youth & Children 'What's On? Update**

We send out a regular email that helps publicise events, resources and more that might help churches enhance their children's and youth ministry. Churches or individuals who wish to publicise events, resources or training in their own area for anyone involved with children's, youth or schools work may also send details to us and we will include them in future updates.

❖ **Christianity Awareness Week**

The trust undertakes to work with youth groups and churches through planning, producing and leading specific campaigns and activities in schools and the wider area. One such is Christianity Awareness Week (Illuminate Windsor & Slough), most recently held in October 2018.

❖ **Prayer**

We believe that the most significant contribution we can make to our schools is to pray for them. There are a number of opportunities each year for particular prayer events, including Education Sunday (early September), Prayday (November) and Pray for Schools (a fortnight in May).

❖ **Primary Schools initiatives**

This short video explains our Church/Primary School initiatives and how they have developed over the past 25 years.

<https://youtu.be/OvEBYlycwRA>.

What we achieved

Summer 2020

The advent of lockdown in March 2020 naturally had a significant impact on our work in schools. Our schools worker, Wayne Dixon, was furloughed for most of the summer term, with the result that he was unable to carry out any online work with staff and students during those particular weeks. *Easter Cracked*, our annual presentation for children in Year 6, was unable to go ahead.

❖ *It's Your Move!*

Most of these presentations, which were due to take place in over 50 schools for over 3000 pupils. were also cancelled, but we did the best we could in July for about another fifteen schools. However, Wayne was able to do several remote sessions and generally this went well with some great questions from the pupils and a really encouraging contribution from one teacher at the beginning of one of these sessions.

We hope that several options will become available in the future, including making use of video presentations, though ideally we would prefer to have face to face sessions with young people playing key roles.

Autumn 2020

❖ *Christmas Unwrapped*

Even though these in-person events could not go ahead this time, we discovered that by recording and holding a presentation as an online event, some schools were able to access it for the first time, so this could provide a new platform for the future.

❖ *Examattack*

After 238 days away from any senior school, Wayne was finally able to present

a year 13 *Examattack* session at Cox Green School. By this time, most of his sessions in schools were taking place remotely, a new experience which had proved to be both very interesting and a steep learning curve. But whether in person or online, these sessions gave him excellent opportunities to share part of his own story and the key difference Jesus makes, as well as a chance to look at some big questions with staff and pupils.

Spring 2021

❖ **Easter Cracked Online**

Easter Cracked Online is a resource which we hope to use again if schools are unable to visit us in person:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lv07rOYbl4M>

Feedback was very encouraging:

'I've watched the whole programme this evening. I thought it was very engaging, fun, and informative. Very clever ! I really enjoyed it. Well done team! I've forwarded it to my sister, her grandson is Yr 6...'

'It was engaging and fun. The children really enjoyed it and it gave them a good understanding of what Easter is all about for Christians.'

'Both pupils and staff members ... learnt something new! It is a memorable experience pupils will not forget in a hurry.'

'RE can be a challenging subject to teach whilst keeping in mind the diversity that exists in most classrooms. For children to engage with it and understand the messages, having input from CCIS is invaluable.'

❖ **Flexibility and adapting to change**

Wayne Dixon writes with regard to the new procedures required since he has been able to return to working in schools:

*I arrived at St. Bernard's Grammar and signed in, but instead of heading off as usual for some **Hanging Around Ministry** in their common room and staff room, or in places where pupils hang out before school, I had to wait. The first member of staff I encountered was Paul the Headteacher, but instead of our usual handshake we kept our face coverings on and talked at a distance from each other. It felt rather sad, a word I keep hearing these days.*

Siobhan the chaplain then took me to for the first group of four classes, and I was glad I checked with the teacher before taking my face covering off. I'd assumed that I could do so when I started my talk, but it was not permitted! At the end of the session I wasn't sure if I could go and chat with the Year 9 students who were outside having their break, so I stayed in the corridor instead. At one point I was just about to venture up to the classroom but remembered in time that it was not appropriate, all of which felt really weird, even if it was necessary. I really do feel for the staff, especially for Headteachers like Paul. The workload on teachers and office staff trying to work on Centre Assessed Grades for their Year 7's, 11's and 13's must be overwhelming. I came away quite sad but was pleased to do in-person as I had some great chats with the staff, and the experience was so much better than trying to do the lessons over Teams or ZOOM.

Throughout the year

❖ Assemblies

1971-2021-2071: F. A. Cup Final - Bible Assembly

Wayne writes:

It was a Tuesday morning and I'd linked up with Desborough College for a Year 10 assembly about The Bible. I'd told them that in 1971 Arsenal won the F.A. Cup Final 2-1 at Wembley with a great goal by Charlie George! Part way through we had a power cut, and everything went down for about half an hour. I assume the lads clicked out from the assembly and logged into their first lesson instead; I apologised and was a little nervous later when trying to do the same assembly with another year group. This time the technology worked, but it was a lesson to me that these days I have to learn to be adaptable!

❖ Zach Rap: 30 years on - online!

It has been thirty years since Wayne first performed the *Zach Rap*, which was written by three teenagers, Katie, Dani & Nicki. Since then, there have been numerous opportunities to share the story of how Jesus changed Zacchaeus' life, in churches, at many a school prom, *Spring Harvest*, *Lighthouse Burnham*, in the assembly hall and in the classroom. We thank God that this rap has even worked online, as Wayne has sent the link to schools to use as part of the *People Jesus Met* lesson he has provided at Burnham Grammar, Furze Platt Senior, Newlands Girls' and St. Joseph's. A good example of a flexible and adaptable resource which can be used in different settings.

❖ Encouragements

From Lucy Miller, a student at Newlands Girls School. This has been such an encouragement, as it has shown the potential for creative thinking from our Christian young people.

'Jess and I spent a long, long time trying to pick a name. The idea of setting up a Christian group at school utterly daunted me, and naming the group was something I agonized over. In the end (admittedly mostly because of an Instagram poll) we decided on 'Revive', but the more I think about it, the more apt a name it is. We wanted to start a Christian group at Newlands because we believe that the good news that we are sinners created, loved, forgiven and made holy by God brings life, both now and eternally. There is no truth more radical or more important! We want to encourage other people at school who are already trusting in Christ, and to be somewhere where those who don't can come to make friends, eat brownies, ask questions about faith and hear the gospel.

REVIVE officially started in September 2019 (it was a huge encouragement to get together with about 15/ 20 girls every other Monday) but because we were still a 'baby Christian Union' when the pandemic closed schools in March, we

really struggled to keep going over lockdown. Since September 2020, we've been able to start up again over ZOOM - a normal session now involves a game, followed by a talk and 'breakout rooms' to chat and pray. It's strange and I can't wait to start seeing everyone again in person, but we know that God can use this period for our good and his glory. Praise him for his faithfulness! Please also thank God that after a tiring day at school (Mondays are never easy!) so many people are still enthusiastic to come along, and pray that we would all be constantly depending on Him for energy and wisdom.'

From a local headteacher;

'Dear Wayne, Our school has always valued your inspiring contributions to our community and curriculum. I am touched by your message to Headteachers. This recent period has certainly been the most trying of my career to date. More than ever, Headteachers need positive feedback and encouragement, which is why I want to thank you for your message. Many thanks for taking the time to write and to send your prayers and best wishes. They are very much appreciated at this time. Thank you from all at school and from me in particular...I hope we get to see you again soon'.

❖ **Pause to Pray**

Pause to Pray began around twenty years ago and we still encourage supporters to pray for our schools via a monthly update. We held an online prayer session on Tuesday 17 November to tie in with *Schools PrayDay*, and plan another for the summer term in 2021

❖ **Partnership ministries**

Through conversations with headteachers, other staff and especially young people over the past months, we have become increasingly aware of the need to promote their well-being. There are various initiatives available both in school and out of school, all of which we promote. Examples include *Rooted* and *Kintsugi* groups and a mental health and wellbeing suite developed by Scripture Union.

Communication

CCiS communicates through a variety of sources, including regular termly newsletters, delivered either electronically or through the post. There is a well-presented website which includes news of forthcoming events: <http://ccischools.org.uk/about-ccis/>

Wayne sends news of his own and other initiatives through regular monthly emails to all his contacts. These include his *Youth and Children's What's On* update and *Pause to Pray*, where the need to pray for particular concerns is highlighted.

Giving

To maintain and develop the work in our schools we are looking for individuals and churches prayerfully to consider giving to CCiS in the following ways:

- Visit <https://www.cafonline.org/>
- Make a bank transfer to *Christian Connections in Schools*, sort code 40 52 40, account number 00032898
- Send a cheque (payable to *Christian Connections in Schools*) to: The Treasurer, CCiS, Westfield, 3c College Avenue, Maidenhead SL6 6AR
- Leave a bequest to CCiS, using our charity name *Christian Connections in Schools* and registered number 1150149

The trustees are very grateful to all those who support us in their different ways, most especially over this difficult period.

Vision for the future

Christian Connections in Schools has a vision to make Jesus known in primary and secondary schools in Slough, Windsor and Maidenhead, through partnership with local churches and as a mission partner with Scripture Union. We currently support a full-time worker whose expertise particularly lies in working with secondary schools, but have a vision to extend this work to the primary age group (primary, first and middle schools), recognising the vital importance of sharing what Christians believe with young children. To this end we are seeking to employ an additional schools' worker to work primarily with Key Stages 1-2 in a face to face, enabling and facilitating role with local churches and schools. This is an exciting opportunity for someone with a passion for making Jesus known in our local schools. The role will include

- A. Local church work: which involves establishing and maintaining contact with churches and enabling them to be involved with local schools by facilitating and training them.
- B. Schools work: which includes advocating the Christian faith, lifestyle and support work with children and young people predominantly in primary, first and middle schools.
- C. Training: which includes the recruiting, equipping and support of volunteers for the furtherance of the work; and developing resources for them to use.

It is expected that the schools worker will be pro-active in making contact with schools and churches, whilst recognising that all activities within schools or churches are at their invitation and approval. The role will include some weekend and evening commitments. We are willing to consider a part time worker or job share.

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The Charities Act 2011 requires the trustees to prepare a statement of accounts for each financial year, which comply with the regulations made under that act.

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

Charity law in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of its financial activities for that period.

In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

1. Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
2. Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
3. State whether the policies adopted are in accordance with the appropriate SORP on Accounting by Charities and the Accounting Regulations and with applicable accounting standards, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
4. Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Accounting Standards and Statements of Recommended Practice and the regulations made under s145 of the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approval

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Annual Report above and the Financial Report for the period 6th April 2020 to 5th April 2021. The trustees authorised Mr Alan Peter Symons (Chair) to sign on their behalf.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:

Alan Symons

Alan Peter Symons (Chair)

Date:15/11/21

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees

I report on my examination of the accounts of the charity Christian Connections in Schools for the period from 6th April 2020 to 5th April 2021.

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 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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.

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Date: 24/11/21

Financial Report (attached as separate document)



Charity Name Christian Connections in Schools	No (if any) 1150149
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 06/04/2020	To	Period end date 05/04/2021
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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	48,019	3,050	-	51,069	55,785
Gift Aid	4,214	75	-	4,289	3,280
CJRS grant	10,031	-	-	10,031	-
Interest	4	-	-	4	9
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	62,269	3,125	-	65,394	59,074
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	62,269	3,125	-	65,394	59,074
A3 Payments					
Employment-related	38,196	-	-	38,196	37,756
Travel	292	-	-	292	3,317
Telephone	75	-	-	75	356
Insurance	491	-	-	491	522
IT support, payroll processing, bank charges	678	-	-	678	823
Stationery and resources	815	-	-	815	1,758
Recruitment	207	-	-	207	747
It's Your Move	-	-	-	-	600
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	40,754	-	-	40,754	45,878
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Computer equipment	-	-	-	-	2,017
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	2,017
Total payments	40,754	-	-	40,754	47,895
Net of receipts/(payments)	21,515	3,125	-	24,640	11,179
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	77,807	1,623	-	79,429	68,250
Cash funds this year end	99,321	4,748	-	104,069	79,429

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 at bank	99,321	4,748	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	99,321	4,748	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
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)
	Computer equipment	Unrestricted	2,017	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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	

Christian Connections in Schools (CCiS)

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