

FRYDERYK CHOPIN POLISH SCHOOL IN SOUTHAMPTON

England & Wales · Charity number 1167952

Details

Other names	FRYDERYK CHOPIN POLISH SCHOOL IN SOUTHAMPTON6
Status	Registered
Legal form	Charitable company
Company number	09698579
Registered	2016-06-30
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

Objects: 1. ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT IN SUBJECTS INCLUDING POLISH LANGUAGE, HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY OF POLAND, POLISH ARTS CULTURE AND HERITAGE, AND FOOTBALL; AND2. ADVANCEMENT OF THE ROMAN CATHOLIC RELIGION FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT BY PROVIDING RELIGIOUS EDUCATION.

Activities: The advancement of education for the public benefit, of children attending the Fryderyk Chopin Polish School in Southampton, in subjects including Polish Language, History and Geography of Poland, Polish Arts Culture and Heritage, sports and football, and the advancement of the Roman Catholic religion, for the public benefit by providing religious education.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, Religious Activities, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Amateur Sport, Environment/conservation/heritage, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Children/young People, People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin

Geography

- Southampton City

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-07-31	£159,686	£177,829	-	-
2024-07-31	£136,302	£141,831	-	-
2023-07-31	£103,150	£117,591	-	-
2022-07-31	£121,733	£96,284	-	-
2021-07-31	£61,811	£65,664	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
BARBARA MONIKA PAWLOWSKA		2015-07-22
Dariusz Szwajkowski		2024-11-29

FRYDERYK CHOPIN POLISH SCHOOL IN SOUTHAMPTON

England & Wales - Charity number 1167952

Accounts

Fryderyk Chopin Polish School in Southampton

Charity Report for the year ending 30 July 2024

The Board of Fryderyk Chopin Polish School in Southampton present their annual report and accounts for the year ended 30 July 2025 and confirm they comply with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011, the trust deed and the Charities SORP (FRS 102).

OUR AIMS

Our School is designed to provide Polish children and young people living in Southampton and surrounding area with an opportunity to learn the Polish language and culture. The primary aim of the School is to promote and maintain the Polish language, customs, traditions, and cultural heritage among the Polish diaspora.

Specifically, the aims of Fryderyk Chopin Polish Saturday School in Southampton includes:

1. Language acquisition: To teach the Polish language to children who may not have had the opportunity to learn it in their daily lives and those who may want to improve their language skills and knowledge. We aim to provide a first class education in native language for boys and girls from the age of 5 to 16.
2. Cultural education: To teach Polish history, traditions, customs, and values to the students.
3. Preservation of identity: To help students maintain their Polish identity and connection to their heritage.
4. Socialization: To provide students with the opportunity to meet and interact with other Polish children and young people, thus creating a sense of community.
5. Preparation for future education and career opportunities: To prepare students for further education, including studying abroad in Poland, and to provide them with an advantage in career opportunities that involve Polish language and culture.

We seek to provide a structured educational environment that develops our pupils' capabilities, competences and skills. We promote the academic, moral and physical development of our pupils through our academic curriculum, sporting and other activities. We provide an educational environment where each student can develop and fulfil his or her potential, building their self-confidence and inculcating a desire to contribute to the wider community. In so doing, we prepare our pupils for the opportunities, responsibilities and experience of later life and support the development of Polish language and culture among the diaspora, ensuring that the younger generations have a strong connection to their heritage and language.

OUR OBJECTIVES

Our objectives are set to reflect our educational aims and the ethos of the School. It is important to us that we maintain and enhance the academic success of the School. This objective is, however, set in the context of the broader goals we set for the School and its pupils. Our key objectives for the year included:

- to broaden our academic curriculum and extend the range of activities provided to Polish students via structured classes and after school clubs
- to enhance and improve the knowledge about Polish culture, history and language and foster cultural awareness
- to continue to develop the first class care we provide for pupils and socialisation opportunities
- to provide continuing support of our pupils already in receipt of fee assistance and overall support for families with Polish use of language.

EDUCATION AND ACTIVITIES

In 2024/2025 the School provided education for 485 pupils with Polish background.

Education and activities for benefit of the pupils and public included but are not limited to:

- Teaching Polish language, literature, history, geography, culture, tradition and Christian values
- Preparation for Exams: GCSE and A-Level in Polish
- Teaching takes place during 31 Saturdays per school year.
- Organisation of in school events:
 - Official acceptance of new students
 - Independence Day
 - Christmas market
 - Constitution Day
 - Easter Market
 - Family Day
 - Polish Language Day
 - Carnival Disco
- Organisation of out of school events:
 - Multiple Theatre trips - London
 - GCSE student trip - Cheddar Gorge
 - Organisation of The Great Charity Orchestra in Southampton
 - Polish Heritage Day
 - A levels trip - Escape room

- Competitions:
 - Participation in Poem Competition Wierszowisko - London
 - Participation in Singing Competition - Spiewowisko
 - Best Easter card design in-school competition
 - Chyża sówka - competition
 - Best teacher description competition
 - Knowledge of Poland competition
- Organisation of Annual General Meeting for Parents and Guardians
- Board and Staff General Meeting

During the 2024/25 year the school had 75th anniversary of founding of Fryderyk Chopin Polish School in Southampton. A significant proportion of the expenses of the school resulted in the organisation of the celebratory event.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- 2nd place in Spiewowisko Competition organised by POSK in London
- Recognition Award in Poem Competition Wierszowisko

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The Charity's funding is principally derived from School fees and grants received from the Ministry of Poland. Usually it is supplemented by various fundraising activities. The main expenditure is for the hire of the premises, for the expenses incurred by the staff and for books and materials necessary in education process.

The Charity structure, governance and financial performance can be reviewed via accounts submitted to the Charity Commission.

Signed by

Barbara Pawlowska
Director of Fryderyk Chopin Polish School in Southampton

Company registration number: **09698579**

Fryderyk Chopin Polish School In Southampton

Company limited by guarantee

Unaudited Financial Statements

for the year ended 31 July 2025

Taxpage Limited

129, Kathleen Road, Southampton, Hampshire, SO19 8LP,
United Kingdom

Fryderyk Chopin Polish School In Southampton

Unaudited Financial Statements

Year ended 31 July 2025

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Fryderyk Chopin Polish School In Southampton

Officers and Professional Advisers

Year ended 31 July 2025

Directors

B Pawlowska

D Szwajkowski (appointed 29 November 2024)

M Dondajewska (resigned 9 May 2025)

Company secretary

Barbara Sowa

Registered office

78 Mallards Road
Bursledon
Southampton
Hampshire
SO31 8LQ
England

Accountant

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Fryderyk Chopin Polish School In Southampton

Directors' Report

Year ended 31 July 2025

The directors present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 July 2025.

DIRECTORS

The directors who served the company during the year were as follows:

B Pawlowska

D Szwajkowski

(appointed 29 November 2024)

M Dondajewska

(resigned 9 May 2025)

SMALL COMPANY PROVISIONS

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies entitled to the small companies exemption.

This report was approved by the board of directors on 15 April 2026 and signed on behalf of the board by:

B Pawlowska

Director

Fryderyk Chopin Polish School In Southampton

Report of the Accountant to the directors of Fryderyk Chopin Polish School In Southampton

Year ended 31 July 2025

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with my terms of engagement and in order to assist you to fulfil your duties under the Companies Acts that relate to preparing the financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 July 2025.

I have prepared these financial statements based on the accounting records, information and explanations provided by you. I do not express any opinion on the financial statements.

On the statement of financial position you have acknowledged your duties under the prevailing Companies Acts to ensure that the company keeps adequate accounting records and prepares financial statements that give a "true and fair view".

You have determined that the company is exempt from the statutory requirement for an audit for this accounting year. Therefore, the financial statements are unaudited.

The financial statements are provided exclusively to the directors for the limited purpose mentioned above, and may not be used or relied upon for any other purpose or by any other person, and we shall not be liable for any other usage or reliance.

Taxpage Limited

129
Kathleen Road
Southampton
Hampshire
SO19 8LP
United Kingdom

Date: 15 April 2026

Fryderyk Chopin Polish School In Southampton

Income Statement

Year ended 31 July 2025

	2025	2024
	£	£
Turnover	157,138	134,787
Other income	2,548	1,515
	<u>159,686</u>	<u>136,302</u>
Cost of raw materials and consumables	(8,820)	(5,204)
Staff costs	(79,913)	(66,332)
Depreciation and other amounts written off assets	-	(185)
Other charges	(78,843)	(70,110)
Deficit	<u>(7,890)</u>	<u>(5,529)</u>

Fryderyk Chopin Polish School In Southampton

Statement of Financial Position

31 July 2025

	2025	2024
	£	£
Fixed assets	10,254	-
Current assets	12,952	32,296
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(300)	(490)
Net current assets	12,652	31,806
Total assets less current liabilities	22,906	31,806
Capital and reserves	22,906	31,806

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1 General information

The company is a private company limited by guarantee and is registered in England and Wales. The address of the registered office is 78 Mallards Road, Bursledon, Southampton, Hampshire, SO31 8LQ, England.

2 Average number of employees

The average number of persons employed by the company during the year was nil (2024: nil).

For the year ending 31 July 2025, the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476;
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the micro-entity provisions.

Fryderyk Chopin Polish School In Southampton

Statement of Financial Position (continued)

31 July 2025

These financial statements were approved by the board of directors and authorised for issue on 15 April 2026, and are signed on behalf of the board by:

B Pawlowska

Director

Company registration number: 09698579

Fryderyk Chopin Polish School In Southampton

Detailed Income Statement

Year ended 31 July 2025

TURNOVER

	2025	2024
	£	£
Sales	157,138	134,627
Discounts allowed	-	160
	<u>157,138</u>	<u>134,787</u>

OTHER INCOME

	2025	2024
	£	£
Other income	2,548	1,515
	<u>159,686</u>	<u>136,302</u>

COST OF RAW MATERIALS AND CONSUMABLES

	2025	2024
	£	£
Purchases	63	935
Materials	7,649	2,977
Other direct costs	1,108	1,292
	<u>8,820</u>	<u>5,204</u>

STAFF COSTS

	2025	2024
	£	£
Total subcontracted staff	79,913	66,332

Fryderyk Chopin Polish School In Southampton

Detailed Income Statement (continued)

Year ended 31 July 2025

DEPRECIATION AND OTHER AMOUNTS WRITTEN OFF ASSETS

	2025	2024
	£	£
Total depreciation of tangible assets	-	184
Bad debts	-	1
	<u>-</u>	<u>185</u>

OTHER CHARGES

	2025	2024
	£	£
Training costs	708	360
Rent	34,160	32,555
Travelling	3,821	3,664
Subsistence	63	160
Staff entertainment	5,834	5,601
Client entertainment	9,472	5,190
Printing, postage and stationery	7,225	9,303
Computer costs	1,475	735
Legal fees	52	40
Accountancy fees	1,440	1,440
General insurance	1,380	1,316
Cleaning	307	954
Bank interest payable	4	-
Charitable donations	8,094	1,001
Subscriptions	2,336	5,151
Sundry expenses	2,472	2,640
	<u>78,843</u>	<u>70,110</u>
Deficit	<u>(7,890)</u>	<u>(5,529)</u>



Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Fryderyk Chopin Polish School in Southampton

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31/07/2025

**Charity no
(if any)**

1167952

Set out on pages

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **30/07/2024**.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

Signed:

Snarska

Date:

22/04/2026

Name:

Karolina Snarska

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

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Address: 129 Kathleen Road

Southampton

SO19 8LP

Section B

Disclosure

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

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

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Accounts

Fryderyk Chopin Polish School in Southampton

Charity Report for the year ending 30 July 2024

The Board of Fryderyk Chopin Polish School in Southampton present their annual report and accounts for the year ended 30 July 2024 and confirm they comply with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011, the trust deed and the Charities SORP (FRS 102).

OUR AIMS

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- to broaden our academic curriculum and extend the range of activities provided to Polish students via structured classes and after school clubs
- to enhance and improve the knowledge about Polish culture, history and language and foster cultural awareness
- to continue to develop the first class care we provide for pupils and socialisation opportunities
- to provide continuing support of our pupils already in receipt of fee assistance and overall support for families with Polish use of language.

EDUCATION AND ACTIVITIES

In 2023/2024 the School provided education for 384 pupils with Polish background.

Education and activities for benefit of the pupils and public included but are not limited to:

- Teaching Polish language, literature, history, geography, culture, tradition and Christian values
- Preparation for Exams: GCSE and A-Level in Polish
- Teaching takes place during 30 Saturdays per school year.
- Organisation of in school events:
 - Official acceptance of new students
 - Independence Day
 - Christmas market
 - Constitution Day
 - Easter Market and Ukrainian Help fundraiser
 - Ukrainian food and clothes charity collection
 - Children Day
 - Sport Day
 - Polish Language Day
 - Carnival Disco
 - Theatre
- Organisation of out of school events:
 - Multiple Theatre trips - London
 - GCSE student trip - Wookey Hole
 - Organisation of The Great Charity Orchestra in Southampton
 - Polish Heritage Day

- Family Day and Sports Day
-
- Competitions:
 - Participation in Poem Competition Wierszowisko - London
 - Participation in Singing Competition - Spiewowisko
 - Best Easter Egg design in-school competition
 - In-school Competition - Knowledge of Poland
- Organisation of Annual General Meeting for Parents and Guardians
- Board and Staff General Meeting

ACHIEVEMENTS

- 1st place in Spiewowisko Competition organised by POSK in London
- Recognition Award in Poem Competition Wierszowisko

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The Charity's funding is principally derived from School fees and grants received from the Ministry of Poland. Usually it is supplemented by various fundraising activities. The main expenditure is for the hire of the premises, for the expenses incurred by the staff and for books and materials necessary in education process.

The Charity structure, governance and financial performance can be reviewed via accounts submitted to the Charity Commission.

Signed by

Barbara Pawlowska
Director of Fryderyk Chopin Polish School in Southampton

Company registration number: **09698579**

Fryderyk Chopin Polish School In Southampton

Company limited by guarantee

Unaudited Financial Statements

for the year ended 31 July 2024

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Year ended 31 July 2024

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Fryderyk Chopin Polish School In Southampton

Officers and Professional Advisers

Year ended 31 July 2024

Directors	M Dondajewska B Pawlowska
Company secretary	Barbara Sowa
Registered office	78 Mallards Road Southampton Hampshire SO31 8LQ England
Accountant	Taxpage Limited 129 Kathleen Road Southampton Hampshire SO19 8LP United Kingdom

Fryderyk Chopin Polish School In Southampton

Directors' Report

Year ended 31 July 2024

The directors present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 July 2024.

DIRECTORS

The directors who served the company during the year were as follows:

M Dondajewska

B Pawlowska

SMALL COMPANY PROVISIONS

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies entitled to the small companies exemption.

This report was approved by the board of directors on 29 April 2025 and signed on behalf of the board by:

Fryderyk Chopin Polish School In Southampton

Report of the Accountant to the directors of Fryderyk Chopin Polish School In Southampton

Year ended 31 July 2024

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with my terms of engagement and in order to assist you to fulfil your duties under the Companies Acts that relate to preparing the financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 July 2024.

I have prepared these financial statements based on the accounting records, information and explanations provided by you. I do not express any opinion on the financial statements.

On the statement of financial position you have acknowledged your duties under the prevailing Companies Acts to ensure that the company keeps adequate accounting records and prepares financial statements that give a "true and fair view".

You have determined that the company is exempt from the statutory requirement for an audit for this accounting year. Therefore, the financial statements are unaudited.

The financial statements are provided exclusively to the directors for the limited purpose mentioned above, and may not be used or relied upon for any other purpose or by any other person, and we shall not be liable for any other usage or reliance.

Taxpage Limited

129
Kathleen Road
Southampton
Hampshire
SO19 8LP
United Kingdom

Date: 29 April 2025

Fryderyk Chopin Polish School In Southampton

Income Statement

Year ended 31 July 2024

	2024	2023
	£	£
Turnover	134,787	98,602
Other income	1,515	4,448
	<u>136,302</u>	<u>103,050</u>
Cost of raw materials and consumables	(5,204)	(1,182)
Staff costs	(66,332)	(53,039)
Depreciation and other amounts written off assets	(185)	(93)
Other charges	(70,110)	(61,199)
Deficit	<u>(5,529)</u>	<u>(12,463)</u>

Fryderyk Chopin Polish School In Southampton

Statement of Financial Position

31 July 2024

	2024	2023
	£	£
Current assets	32,296	11,042
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(490)	1,946
Net current assets	31,806	12,988
Total assets less current liabilities	31,806	12,988
Capital and reserves	31,806	12,988

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1 General information

The company is a private company limited by guarantee and is registered in England and Wales. The address of the registered office is 78 Mallards Road, , Southampton, Hampshire, SO31 8LQ, England.

2 Average number of employees

The average number of persons employed by the company during the year was Nil (2023: Nil).

For the year ending 31 July 2024, the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476;
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the micro-entity provisions.

Fryderyk Chopin Polish School In Southampton

Statement of Financial Position (continued)

31 July 2024

These financial statements were approved by the board of directors and authorised for issue on 29 April 2025, and are signed on behalf of the board by:

B Pawlowska

Director

Company registration number: 09698579

Fryderyk Chopin Polish School In Southampton

Detailed Income Statement

Year ended 31 July 2024

TURNOVER

	2024	2023
	£	£
Sales	134,627	103,897
Discounts allowed	160	(5,295)
	<u>134,787</u>	<u>98,602</u>

OTHER INCOME

	2024	2023
	£	£
Other income	1,515	4,448
	<u>136,302</u>	<u>103,050</u>

COST OF RAW MATERIALS AND CONSUMABLES

	2024	2023
	£	£
Purchases	935	-
Materials	2,977	-
Other direct costs	1,292	1,182
	<u>5,204</u>	<u>1,182</u>

STAFF COSTS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Total subcontracted staff	66,332	53,039

Fryderyk Chopin Polish School In Southampton

Detailed Income Statement (continued)

Year ended 31 July 2024

DEPRECIATION AND OTHER AMOUNTS WRITTEN OFF ASSETS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Total depreciation of tangible assets	184	-
Bad debts	1	93
	<u>185</u>	<u>93</u>

OTHER CHARGES

	2024	2023
	£	£
Training costs	360	498
Rent	32,555	29,695
Travelling	3,664	1,602
Subsistence	160	232
Staff entertainment	5,601	3,406
Client entertainment	5,190	5,395
Printing, postage and stationery	9,303	8,763
Computer costs	735	835
Legal fees	40	40
Accountancy fees	1,440	1,440
General insurance	1,316	1,157
Repairs and maintenance	-	88
Cleaning	954	36
Bank charges	-	1
Charitable donations	1,001	2,368
Subscriptions	5,151	1,138
Loss on foreign exchange	-	1
Sundry expenses	2,640	4,504
	<u>70,110</u>	<u>61,199</u>

Fryderyk Chopin Polish School In Southampton

Detailed Income Statement (continued)

Year ended 31 July 2024

Deficit

(5,529)	(12,463)
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Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Fryderyk Chopin Polish School in Southampton

On accounts for the year ended

30/07/2024

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Signed:

Snarska

Date:

16/05/2025

Name:

Karolina Snarska

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

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Address: 129 Kathleen Road

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Accounts

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2. Cultural education: To teach Polish history, traditions, customs, and values to the students.
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We seek to provide a structured educational environment that develops our pupils' capabilities, competences and skills. We promote the academic, moral and physical development of our pupils through our academic curriculum, sporting and other activities. We provide an educational environment where each student can develop and fulfil his or her potential, building their self-confidence and inculcating a desire to contribute to the wider community. In so doing, we prepare our pupils for the opportunities, responsibilities and experience of later life and support the development of Polish language and culture among the diaspora, ensuring that the younger generations have a strong connection to their heritage and language.

OUR OBJECTIVES

Our objectives are set to reflect our educational aims and the ethos of the School. It is important to us that we maintain and enhance the academic success of the School. This objective is, however, set in the context of the broader goals we set for the School and its pupils. Our key objectives for the year included:

- to broaden our academic curriculum and extend the range of activities provided to Polish students via structured classes and after school clubs
- to enhance and improve the knowledge about Polish culture, history and language and foster cultural awareness
- to continue to develop the first class care we provide for pupils and socialisation opportunities
- to provide continuing support of our pupils already in receipt of fee assistance and overall support for families with Polish use of language.

EDUCATION AND ACTIVITIES

In 2022/2023 the School provided education for 437 pupils with Polish background.

Education and activities for benefit of the pupils and public included but are not limited to:

- Teaching Polish language, literature, history, geography, culture, tradition and Christian values
- Preparation for Exams: GCSE and A-Level in Polish
- Teaching takes place during 30 Saturdays per school year.
- Organisation of in school events:
 - Official acceptance of new students
 - Independence Day
 - Christmas market
 - Constitution Day
 - Easter Market and Ukrainian Help fundraiser
 - Ukrainian food and clothes charity collection
 - Children Day
 - Sport Day
 - Polish Language Day
 - Carnival Disco
 - Theatre
- Organisation of out of school events:
 - Multiple Theatre trips - London
 - GCSE student trip - London
 - Organisation of The Great Charity Orchestra in Southampton
 - Polish Heritage Day

- Competitions:
 - Participation in Poem Competition Wierszowisko - London
 - Best Easter Egg design in-school competition
 - In-school Competition - Knowledge of Poland
- Organisation of Annual General Meeting for Parents and Guardians
- Board and Staff General Meeting - 9 meetings during the year 2021/22

ACHIEVEMENTS

- 2nd place in Spiewowisko Competition organised by POSK in London
- Awards in Poem Competition Wierszowisko

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The Charity's funding is principally derived from School fees and grants received from the Ministry of Poland. Usually it is supplemented by various fundraising activities. The main expenditure is for the hire of the premises, for the expenses incurred by the staff and for books and materials necessary in education process.

The Charity structure, governance and financial performance can be reviewed via accounts submitted to the Charity Commission.

Signed by

Barbara Pawlowska
Director of Fryderyk Chopin Polish School in Southampton

Company registration number: **09698579**

Fryderyk Chopin Polish School In Southampton

Company limited by guarantee

UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended 31 July 2023

Taxpage Limited

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Fryderyk Chopin Polish School In Southampton

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Fryderyk Chopin Polish School In Southampton

Officers and Professional Advisers

Year ended 31 July 2023

Directors	Mrs Barbara Monika Pawlowska Mrs Marta Dondajewska
Company secretary	Mrs Barbara Sowa
Registered office	78 Mallards Road Bursledon Southampton Hampshire SO31 8LQ England
Accountant	Taxpage Limited 129 Kathleen Road Southampton Hampshire SO19 8LP United Kingdom

Fryderyk Chopin Polish School In Southampton

Directors' Report

Year ended 31 July 2023

The directors present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 July 2023.

DIRECTORS

The directors who served the company during the year were as follows:

Mrs Barbara Monika Pawlowska

Mrs Marta Dondajewska

SMALL COMPANY PROVISIONS

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies entitled to the small companies exemption.

This report was approved by the board of directors on 23 November 2023 and signed on behalf of the board by:

Mrs Barbara Monika Pawlowska

Director

Fryderyk Chopin Polish School In Southampton

Report of the Accountant to the directors of Fryderyk Chopin Polish School In Southampton

Year ended 31 July 2023

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with my terms of engagement and in order to assist you to fulfil your duties under the Companies Acts that relate to preparing the financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 July 2023.

I have prepared these financial statements based on the accounting records, information and explanations provided by you. I do not express any opinion on the financial statements.

On the statement of financial position you have acknowledged your duties under the prevailing Companies Acts to ensure that the company keeps adequate accounting records and prepares financial statements that give a "true and fair view".

You have determined that the company is exempt from the statutory requirement for an audit for this accounting year. Therefore, the financial statements are unaudited.

The financial statements are provided exclusively to the directors for the limited purpose mentioned above, and may not be used or relied upon for any other purpose or by any other person, and we shall not be liable for any other usage or reliance.

Taxpage Limited

129 Kathleen Road
Southampton
Hampshire
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United Kingdom

Date: 23 November 2023

Fryderyk Chopin Polish School In Southampton

Income Statement

Year ended 31 July 2023

	2023	2022
	£	£
Turnover	98,602	121,724
Other income	4,448	10
	<u>103,050</u>	<u>121,734</u>
Cost of raw materials and consumables	(1,182)	(5,093)
Staff costs	(53,039)	(47,871)
Depreciation and other amounts written off assets	(93)	-
Other charges	(61,199)	(43,319)
(Deficit)/surplus	<u>(12,463)</u>	<u>25,451</u>

Fryderyk Chopin Polish School In Southampton

Statement of Financial Position

31 July 2023

	2023	2022
	£	£
Fixed assets	-	184
Current assets	11,042	25,275
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	1,946	(8)
Net current assets	12,988	25,267
Total assets less current liabilities	12,988	25,451
Capital and reserves	12,988	25,451

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1 General information

The company is a private company limited by guarantee and is registered in England and Wales. The address of the registered office is 78 Mallards Road, Bursledon, Southampton, Hampshire, SO31 8LQ, England.

2 Average number of employees

The average number of persons employed by the company during the year was Nil (2022: Nil).

For the year ending 31 July 2023, the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476;
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the micro-entity provisions.

Fryderyk Chopin Polish School In Southampton

Statement of Financial Position (continued)

31 July 2023

These financial statements were approved by the board of directors and authorised for issue on 23 November 2023, and are signed on behalf of the board by:

Mrs Barbara Monika Pawlowska

Director

Company registration number: 09698579

Fryderyk Chopin Polish School In Southampton

Detailed Income Statement

Year ended 31 July 2023

TURNOVER

	2023	2022
	£	£
Sales	103,897	125,800
Discounts allowed	(5,295)	(4,076)
	<u>98,602</u>	<u>121,724</u>

OTHER INCOME

	2023	2022
	£	£
Other income	4,448	10
	<u>103,050</u>	<u>121,734</u>

COST OF RAW MATERIALS AND CONSUMABLES

	2023	2022
	£	£
Other direct costs	1,182	5,093

STAFF COSTS

	2023	2022
	£	£
Total subcontracted staff	53,039	47,871

DEPRECIATION AND OTHER AMOUNTS WRITTEN OFF ASSETS

	2023	2022
	£	£
Bad debts	93	-

Fryderyk Chopin Polish School In Southampton

Detailed Income Statement (continued)

Year ended 31 July 2023

OTHER CHARGES

	2023	2022
	£	£
Insurance	-	1,129
Training costs	498	573
Rent	29,695	21,895
Travelling	1,602	2,239
Subsistence	232	-
Staff entertainment	3,406	1,223
Client entertainment	5,395	6,311
Marketing	-	894
Printing, postage and stationery	8,763	2,663
Computer costs	835	-
Legal fees	40	-
Accountancy fees	1,440	1,429
General insurance	1,157	-
Repairs and maintenance	88	50
Cleaning	36	32
Bank charges	1	25
Charitable donations	2,368	825
Subscriptions	1,138	3,033
Loss on foreign exchange	1	-
Sundry expenses	4,504	998
	61,199	43,319
(Deficit)/surplus	(12,463)	25,451

Accounts

Company registration number: **09698579**

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Year ended 31 July 2022

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DIRECTORS

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Mrs Barbara Monika Pawlowska

Mrs Marta Dondajewska

SMALL COMPANY PROVISIONS

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies entitled to the small companies exemption.

This report was approved by the board of directors on 17 April 2023 and signed on behalf of the board by:

Mrs Barbara Monika Pawlowska
Director

Fryderyk Chopin Polish School In Southampton

Report of the Accountant to the directors of Fryderyk Chopin Polish School In Southampton

Year ended 31 July 2022

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Date: 17 April 2023

Fryderyk Chopin Polish School In Southampton

Income Statement

Year ended 31 July 2022

	2022	2021
	£	£
Turnover	121,724	61,811
Other income	10	-
	<u>121,734</u>	<u>61,811</u>
Cost of raw materials and consumables	(5,093)	(3,773)
Staff costs	(47,871)	(35,049)
Other charges	(43,319)	(27,405)
Profit/(loss)	<u>25,451</u>	<u>(4,416)</u>

Fryderyk Chopin Polish School In Southampton

Statement of Financial Position

31 July 2022

	2022	2021
	£	£
Fixed assets	184	-
Current assets	25,275	27,900
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(8)	-
Net current assets	25,267	27,900
Total assets less current liabilities	25,451	27,900
Capital and reserves	25,451	27,900

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Fryderyk Chopin Polish School In Southampton

Statement of Financial Position (continued)

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Fryderyk Chopin Polish School In Southampton

Detailed Income Statement

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COST OF RAW MATERIALS AND CONSUMABLES

	2022	2021
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Other direct costs	5,093	3,773

STAFF COSTS

	2022	2021
	£	£
Subcontracted staff	47,871	35,049

OTHER CHARGES

	2022	2021
	£	£
Insurance	1,129	1,108
Training costs	573	360
Rent	21,895	9,061
Travelling	2,239	1,535

Fryderyk Chopin Polish School In Southampton

Detailed Income Statement (continued)

Year ended 31 July 2022

Subsistence	-	908
Staff entertainment	1,223	1,289
Client entertainment	6,311	-
Marketing	894	230
Printing, postage and stationery	2,663	9,670
Legal fees	-	56
Accountancy fees	1,429	1,756
Professional fees	-	190
Repairs and maintenance	50	-
Cleaning	32	-
Bank charges	25	-
Charitable donations	825	-
Subscriptions	3,033	1,241
Sundry expenses	998	1
	<u>43,319</u>	<u>27,405</u>
Profit/(loss)	<u>25,451</u>	<u>(4,416)</u>

Fryderyk Chopin Polish School in Southampton

Charity Report for the year ending 30 July 2022

The Board of Fryderyk Chopin Polish School in Southampton present their annual report and accounts for the year ended 30 July 2022 and confirm they comply with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011, the trust deed and the Charities SORP (FRS 102).

OUR AIMS

Our School is designed to provide Polish children and young people living in Southampton and surrounding area with an opportunity to learn the Polish language and culture. The primary aim of the School is to promote and maintain the Polish language, customs, traditions, and cultural heritage among the Polish diaspora.

Specifically, the aims of Fryderyk Chopin Polish Saturday School in Southampton includes:

1. Language acquisition: To teach the Polish language to children who may not have had the opportunity to learn it in their daily lives and those who may want to improve their language skills and knowledge. We aim to provide a first class education in native language for boys and girls from the age of 5 to 16.
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OUR OBJECTIVES

Our objectives are set to reflect our educational aims and the ethos of the School. It is important to us that we maintain and enhance the academic success of the School. This objective is, however, set in the context of the broader goals we set for the School and its pupils. Our key objectives for the year included:

- to broaden our academic curriculum and extend the range of activities provided to Polish students via structured classes and after school clubs
- to enhance and improve the knowledge about Polish culture, history and language and foster cultural awareness
- to continue to develop the first class care we provide for pupils and socialisation opportunities
- to provide continuing support of our pupils already in receipt of fee assistance and overall support for families with Polish use of language.

EDUCATION AND ACTIVITIES

In 2021/2022 the School provided education for 424 pupils with Polish background.

Education and activities for benefit of the pupils and public included but are not limited to:

- Teaching Polish language, literature, history, geography, culture, tradition and Christian values
- Preparation for Exams: GCSE and A-Level in Polish
- Teaching takes place during 30 Saturdays per school year.
- Organisation of in school events:
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 - Polish Language Day
 - Carnival Disco
 - Theatre
- Organisation of out of school events:
 - Multiple Theatre trips - London
 - GCSE student trip - London
 - School representation trip to Portsmouth
 - Participation in 80th Anniversary of Defence of Cowes IOW

- Competitions:
 - Participation in Poem Competition Wierszowisko - London
 - Best Easter Egg design in-school competition
 - International Copernicus Portrait Competition
 - In-school Competition - Knowledge of Poland
 - Participation in International Fryderyk Chopin Portrait Competition
- Organisation of Annual General Meeting for Parents and Guardians
- Board and Staff General Meeting - 9 meetings during the year 2021/22

ACHIEVEMENTS

- 1st place in International Copernicus Portrait Competition organised by National Gallery
- 1st and 3rd place in Poem Competition Wierszowisko - age group 14+
- Award for a group in Poem Competition Wierszowisko

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The Charity's funding is principally derived from School fees and grants received from the Ministry of Poland. Usually it is supplemented by various fundraising activities. The main expenditure is for the hire of the premises, for the expenses incurred by the staff and for books and materials necessary in education process.

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