

## Summary of Accounts

	2003-4	2002-3
<b>Receipts</b>		
Church donations	18552	17709
Personal donations	12049	10518
Tax recovered	2422	2486
Event donations	1807	415
Primary Vision	180	575
Event fees and resource sales	2982	799
Bank interest	397	507
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>38389</b>	<b>33009</b>

	2003-4	2002-3
<b>Payments</b>		
Staff employment	32508	20942
Staff expenses	4076	4119
Support costs	3544	2416
Event costs	3534	0
Grants	750	8000
Administration	773	668
Fund raising costs	4	33
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>45189</b>	<b>36178</b>

	2004	2003
<b>Assets at 31st July</b>		
Cash at bank and in hand	27027	34007
Other assets less liabilities	188	302
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>27215</b>	<b>34309</b>

## Notes to the Accounts

The figures for 2003-4 cover the year ended on the 31st July 2004.

Support costs in the table include the Scripture Union training and support fee, office set-up costs, newsletter and CD production and web site costs.

Copies of the full accounts are available from our web site or on request from the Treasurer.

## Examination of Accounts

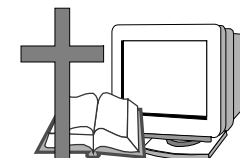
The Trustees express their gratitude to the Honorary Independent Examiner, Mrs Denise Wright, for examining the Trusts financial affairs.

## Communications

Supporters received a mailing, with details of the activities of the workers and news from the Trustees, five times during the year. The same information is also available on the Trust's web site at <http://www.cist.org.uk>

# CHRISTIANS IN SCHOOLS

## Trustees Annual Report 2003-4



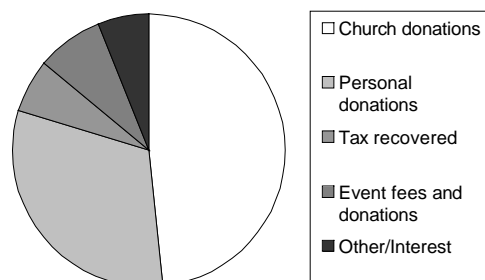
We thank God for the way that you have supported the work of Christians in Schools as it has grown throughout this year. As a faith mission we trust that God will provide for the financial needs of this growth in the work in Stockport schools. Our duty as trustees is to communicate these needs and to wait on Him for the funds that we need to continue and expand the work.

Although we ended the financial year on 31st July 2004 with a balance of funds of just over £27,000 we were aware that our expenditure in the previous year exceeded our receipts by nearly £7,000. Since then our reserves have continued to drop by about £1,000 a month as we now employ both Sue and Andrew full time and provide an office base for them to work from. Our total monthly outgoings are close to £4,000 and this will bring us close to the minimum safe level of reserves by the end of July when our current financial year ends.

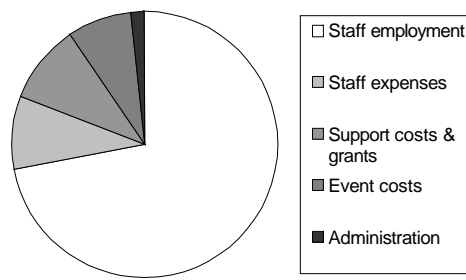
We do hope that you will be able to continue and perhaps increase your support for our work. Giving by standing order is a real help to us, even if it is for a small amount, as it increases the proportion of our income that is predictable. If you are a personal tax payer, Gift Aid enables us to recover an additional 28% from the Inland Revenue. (This came to over £2,400 in our last financial year.) We will gladly send forms to you for setting up a standing order or gift aid. Please contact the Treasurer.

Finally, a big thank you to all our supporters. Please continue to support the work in prayer as our workers have daily contact with so many secondary school children and great opportunities to tell them about our Lord and Christianity.

Receipts



Payments



## Trustees at 31st July 2004

Philip Clarke	Trust Chairman and retired Primary School Head Teacher	Hazel Grove Baptist Church
Judith Crofts	Trust Secretary and trained Teacher	Heaton Moor Evangelical Church
David Scott	Trust Treasurer and Administrator	St Thomas, Norbury
Jan Ford	Secondary School RE Teacher	St Chad's Romiley
Christine Hall	Retired Primary School Head Teacher	St Chad's Handforth
Maureen Wilkinson	Voluntary Schools Worker and Supply Teacher	Poynton Baptist Church

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## Secretary's Report

### Secondary Schools

The main focus of the Trust continues to be the work in Stockport secondary schools.

Sue Mayo has completed a second year of work in Stockport Secondary Schools. The main focus of her work has been the cluster group of schools in the west of the borough. Here Sue has given extensive support with the Christian groups and assemblies. She has been involved in a pastoral role in one school and helped and advised with the dramatic production at that school. This has facilitated the building of strong links with both staff and students. Sue has also visited other Stockport secondary schools to take assemblies, teach RE lessons and offer help with Christian groups.

In September 2003 Andrew Phillips began working part time for the Trust. Andrew's work concentrated on three secondary schools in the north and central areas of Stockport. He has been invited to contribute to both assemblies and RE lessons and he has re-established the Christian groups in these schools. Both Sue and Andrew have continued to work with volunteers and church youth workers in running school Christian groups.

Two new initiatives have been developed to help build a stronger relationship with young people. A small group of students went on a residential holiday. This proved very effective in the spiritual development of the young people. Sue and Andrew also organised two evening events with Christian bands and DJs that were open to any young people in the borough. The evenings

have been well supported and a team of volunteers helped with the practical arrangements.

### Primary Schools

During the year Kate Clements, who works one day a week on a volunteer basis with the Trust, has visited most of the primary schools in the catchment area of one of the secondary schools. Kate has presented the stories of the Bible using Bible Explorer material. This has been well received by those schools that have welcome Kate and Sue to speak with the year 6 children about moving on to secondary school. They were able to distribute the Scripture Union publication 'It's Your Move'.

The Trustees continue to seek to increase the amount of work done in both secondary and primary schools by increasing the paid staff and continuing to support a team of volunteers.

In the forthcoming year, the Trustees are looking at ways that Sue can be more involved in encouraging churches to be involved in their local schools.

### Development Work

Audrey Bomford retired from her part-time work for the Trust at the end of May 2004. Up to that time, Audrey had continued to be involved in local primary schools. The assembly outlines and resources that she has written have been added to the web site.

A new course, 'Being a School Helper', was developed and run by Audrey. Ten students completed the first four-week course.

The once-a-term prayer meeting has continued with Audrey taking responsibility for leading this meeting. It has been held at various churches

around the borough to encourage support from those areas.

### Primary Vision

The Trust enjoys a good working relationship with the Local Education Authority and its Advisor for Religious Education. The Primary Vision scheme of work has been identified as a major resource in the revised syllabus for teaching Religious Education in primary schools, which was launched in March 2004.

The updated Primary Vision resources are also available on our web site.

### Internet Resources

The Christians in Schools Trust web site ([www.cist.org.uk](http://www.cist.org.uk)), was originally launched in September 2000. In June 2004 it was extended with further lessons, resources, subject maps and assembly outlines to link the lessons to the latest revision Stockport syllabus.

Currently about 75% of users reference the lessons resources and the other 25% reference the assembly resources. We average over 300 visitors and around 20,000 page requests each day.

### Trustees Meetings

The Trustees met together on six occasions during the year to conduct the business of the Trust. They also met with the Development Group on seven occasions during the year to receive reports and to plan future activities and develop the work of the Trust.

## Treasurer's Report

### Income 2003-4

Gifts received during this eleventh full year of operation have fallen short of the expenses incurred resulting in a

decrease in the reserves by about £7,000. Both church group and personal gifts have increased resulting in an increase of income by over £5,000. During 2004-5 we will seek an increase in funds from our supporters to fund the extra staff and activities that we will be supporting.

The income from the provision of Primary Vision services is now small as most users take the material directly from our web site.

### Expenditure 2003-4

The expenditure on salaries and staff expenses for the year increased as we received a full year of active work from our staff. We also made a payment of £750 to Mark Hamill for his consultancy work in connection with updating the Primary Vision resource.

Expenditure on administration (less than 2% of total expenditure) increased mainly because of the purchase of computer payroll software. We hope to recoup this cost in 2005 through a rebate from the Inland Revenue for filing tax returns on-line.

### Budget for 2004-5

We start the new year with an adequate working balance but income will need to increase during the year. We estimate that the expenditure for the year 2004-5 will be about £52,000, an increase of about £7,000, and £14,000 more than the receipts during 2003-4. If there is no increase in gifts for the work then our reserves will drop to £12,000 which is about three months operating expenses and is below the minimum recommended level to enable us to maintain the work.

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