

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day 01	Month 09	Year 2017		Day 31	Month 08	Year 2018

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name Thomas's Schools Foundation

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) 1068954

PO Box 46805	
London	
Postcode	SW11 3WJ

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Mrs Natalie Bakker			
2	Mrs Alison Cabot	Co-Chair		
3	Mrs Ruth Grover			
4	Mrs Caroline Haas			
5	Mrs Alexandra Hahn			
6	Mrs Claire Heron			
7	Mrs Lisa Irwin			
8	Ms Jill Kelham			
9	Mrs Emily Longmore			
10	Mrs Irene Micheli			
11	Mrs Alison Pagel			
12	Mrs Janet Ritchotte			
13	Mrs Emily Standing			
14	Mrs Liz Thomas			
15	Mrs Amanda Wilman	Co-Chair		
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document
(eg. trust deed, constitution)

Trust Deed

How the charity is constituted
(eg. trust, association, company)

Trust

Trustee selection methods
(eg. appointed by, elected by)

Appointed by Trustees

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You may choose to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

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Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The Advancement of Education.

Granting of bursaries and support for community activities for young people.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

With the exception of a part-time administrator(s), the Thomas's Schools Foundation is run and supported solely by volunteers.

You may choose to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

During 2017/18 Thomas's Schools Foundation ("TSF") successfully continued its activities of:

- providing broad educational opportunities to primary-school aged children through its community outreach programmes; and
- providing bursaries.

Income increased from £266,000 to £353,000 driven primarily from significant one-off donations. Funds primarily come from the Thomas's London Day Schools community, although donations have also been received from corporations and trusts. Some of the donations are received from individuals who have made a multi-year commitment.

Over the year TSF had approximately 50 volunteer committee members and a further 80 reading volunteers who worked with 38 community partners to identify, fund and develop over 50 programmes. These programmes help build self-esteem of primary school-aged children in London and focus on learning, art, drama, music, sport and outdoor learning. Many of these programmes have been run with little or no financial expenditure, but rather through TSF's ability to harness volunteer time and/or secure gifts in kind. In line with TSF's strategy, TSF continues to develop in-depth relationships with our community partners to ensure that our efforts and funds are targeted to meet the greatest needs.

The number of pupils funded by TSF's bursary programme was similar to the previous year. Bursary pupils have performed well at Thomas's London Day Schools and at their senior schools and have gained some notable achievements including:

- o Serving as prefects
- o Leading the school orchestra
- o Representing the school in debating
- o Starring in drama, dance and music performances
- o Excelling at sport
- o Gaining high-percentage bursary awards to senior schools

TSF has very low operating costs as it is almost entirely run and staffed by volunteers.

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Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Funds raised are for disbursement to TSF's principal activities: funding for bursaries and community activities. From time to time donations are received for a specific purpose and in those cases the funds are set aside in a "restricted fund" account. At 31 August 2018 restricted funds comprised 17% of TSF's total funds. Most of these funds are restricted to fund bursaries over the next five years. The Trustees remain committed to the strategy that grants should be made from revenue rather than from an endowment fund. All residual funds are therefore available for distribution, subject to any restrictions. A notional reserve is set aside for bursary, community programme and employment commitments. The level of this notional reserve is reviewed regularly by the Trustees.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You may choose to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F

Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	<i>ET</i>	<i>Alison Cabot</i>
Full name(s)	ELIZABETH THOMAS	ALISON CABOT
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	TRUSTEE (FINANCE)	C.-Chair
Date	25/6/19	