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This has been the most successful year yet for TACT as we have significantly increased our funds and are in a position to call for bids from the school for funds. Last year we reported that we would focus on getting the existence of TACT better publicised and holding events and fundraising initiatives where we can use the charitable status to increase the value of donations. We have made good progress on both of these aims.

The table below shows the main sources of income in the past year.

Source	Amount	Eligible for Gift Aid
Employer community giving	£1,810	No
School reunion	£652	Yes
BT MyDonate	£250	No
Donation of used goods	£248	Yes
Open evening donations	£90	Yes
Gift Aid (from MyDonate)	£34	No
Mike Nicholson books	£18	No
Balance	£3,176	

Key Points

Our fundraising service provider, BT's MyDonate, closed this year losing us one source of income. We have transitioned to Virgin Money Giving but have not tapped into that source of regular small donations yet and will publicise that over the next few months.

Mike has continued (along with many other things) to run the service where we sell donated goods with the money donated to TACT.

Our two biggest ticket' incomes this year were a donation from Apple for one of their employees volunteering with the school and our school reunion for former pupils. Thanks to Ricardo for donating his time and to all those generous former

pupils.

We have ring-fenced £1,800 pounds to donate to the music department.

We met with the school's business manager to promote the charity and look forward to building on that relationship and see the results of increased knowledge of the charity among the staff.

We signed-up as a charity with Amazon Smile, a funding source that costs donors nothing and is only available to registered charities.

Two of our trustees, Heather Watson and Glenn Liddell, have decided to step down this year. We would like to thank others of the for their help to keep the charity going and Heather in particular for her role as Treasurer and preparing the annual OSCR returns.

Next Year

Michael Carey has volunteered to join us as a new trustee which brings us to four trustees and we need to try recruiting additional active members and trustees for the future.

We would be particularly interested in someone (either existing members or a new volunteer) willing to take on the Treasurer role and manage our Gift Aid. This is a role that may suit someone with limited time to take a more active role or to support us from home.

We will hold an AGM in the coming weeks to record changes in membership, change the account signatories and review ideas for future fundraising and how we will make donations to the school in future.

In the coming year we will progress our gift aid claims on the donations we have received this year.

We will also promote the avenue of regular recurring donations through Virgin Money Giving and continue to promote Amazon Smile use.

We will continue to run the sales of donated used goods.

We will continue to work with the Parent Council fundraisers to look for suitable opportunities to run events on a donation basis to benefit from Gift Aid.