Email sent by Brian Jenner to Chairman of the Governors of Magdalen College School on Wednesday 2 September 2026 at 17:37. There was no acknowledgement of this email as of Wednesday 16 September 2026 at 15:10.

Dear Bob,

Following my rather forthright email, I've been working through the accounts and historical documents more carefully.

The governing body may well consider that announcements of the school going completely co-ed reflect economic reality, but for many traditionalists this seems wrong. That's not what the school is about.

I think a progressive school might well decide in the present climate that a return to single sex education would be the better path.

I'm preparing an article and before publishing it I want to make certain that I've got the facts right and give MCS a proper opportunity to correct my understanding.

I would therefore be grateful if you could help me with six questions:

1) Christian framework. The Governors' Report for 2016 included among the School's Aims and Objectives the commitment: "To preserve the Christian framework of the School so that the values of Christian teaching can be seen to underpin the

School…” This wording no longer appears in the corresponding section of the 2017 report. When was the decision to remove this aim taken, who approved it, and what was the reason for the change?

2) MCS International. Magdalen College School International Limited was incorporated on 27 January 2017. Was its establishment connected in any way with the revision of the School’s aims during the same period?

3) 2021 income. The accounts of MCS International record turnover of £2.5 million in 2021 and operating profit of £2,204,690. What activity or agreement generated the £2.5 million turnover, and who was the counterparty?

4) China. I have been told that this income was associated with proposals to establish MCS-branded schools in China which ultimately did not open. Is that correct? If so, what services, intellectual property or other consideration did MCS International provide in return for the payments, and what eventually happened to the proposed schools?

5) 2025 income. MCS International subsequently returned to substantial profitability in 2025. Could you explain which international partnerships or activities generated that year's turnover and profit?

6) Governance. How are agreements allowing overseas schools to use the MCS name, educational model or other intellectual property approved? Are such agreements considered by the

full Governing Body, and what safeguards are used to protect the School's reputation and educational inheritance?

I should emphasise that I know these agreements are commonplace in the sector. My interest is in the rather different question of what happens when a historic educational institution begins deriving commercial income from its name, reputation and educational model overseas.

As an Old Waynflete, I also have a particular interest in how this relates to the Christian and humanist inheritance of the school I attended.

I would be very happy to incorporate the School’s explanation in the article and, of course, to correct any factual errors in my understanding of the accounts.

With best wishes,

Brian Jenner
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