



**FreeSchools World Literacy  
(Australia)**

# **ANNUAL REPORT**

**FOR YEAR ENDING**

**31 DECEMBER 2014**

**FREESCHOOLS WORLD LITERACY  
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**STATEMENT OF GOALS AND PURPOSE**

The purpose of FreeSchools World Literacy is to provide free education in order to break the cycle of ignorance and poverty that leaves millions in hopeless despair. The organization provides free literacy programs; teacher employment and training; income-producing skills, health education; food and clothing; and is documenting changes in the wellbeing of the community as a result of its programs. By providing ongoing funds and scholarships for the existing and planned new schools, FreeSchools World Literacy hopes to replicate its model throughout India, Thailand and other Developing Countries of the world.

FreeSchools World Literacy Objectives are as follows:

1. To provide literacy programs and classes to members of the public.
2. To develop and provide education and training programs to persons who will conduct literacy training.
3. To develop employment training and education programs for needy persons.
4. To relieve poverty in developing nations by providing food and other basic supplies to persons in need.
5. To develop or promote public health in developing nations by educating and instructing the public on prevention of and curative measures for, health problems and by researching and documenting changes in the health of the community

**PROGRAM ACTIVITIES**

**President's Report**

It has been a decade and a half now since Mark Bloomfield and I traveled to Motihari Evening School in Bihar State, India in 2000 – a single schoolhouse for the poor children of the village being run by Sister Crescence. There, I realized for the first time in my life, the real need for free education for the poor, and the ability of education to drastically change the lives of those who were lucky enough to get it. I also saw the benefits of that knowledge spread from the student back to their families and to the local community.

Now, fifteen years on, as we enter year 2015, there are over 3,000 students being taught by 87 teachers at 74 FreeSchools World Literacy funded centres in India, Bangladesh, Thailand, and Zambia with donors in Australia having raised a total of \$74,126 to those efforts since that time.

Thanks to the continuing selfless work of our overseas field partners; Sister Crescence and the Fakirana Sisters Society in Bihar State, India; Rev. Ashish Amos and ISPCCK

in New Delhi; Amarok in Bangladesh; the Mirror Foundation team in Thailand; and Immanuel Mercy Reachout Ministries in Zambia; we are seeing the real benefits of this education flow back into the local community.

A total of \$5,417 was raised for FreeSchools World Literacy aid projects during 2014 reporting period in the following campaigns:

1. \$2,540 was raised for the Thai schools due the efforts of the Coenraads Family's Francis C. Nieves Memorial Fund, Linda Alcorn's fundraising efforts at Whitebridge High School, the Forest Kirk Womens Fellowship and individual members of the Forest Kirk Uniting Church.
2. \$1,100 was raised for the Indian FreeSchools in Bihar thanks to the fundraising efforts of a dedicated group of regular monthly donors including Kathleen and Trevor Swadling, Melissa Alldis, Bernie & Merindi Swadling, and Andrew & Delphine Swadling.
3. \$1,770 was raised for the Immanuel Mercy School in Zambia, our Africa project now one year old, thanks to the single-handed commitment of Donna Cervantes.

FreeSchools World Literacy maintains high-quality audited annual accounts and reportage presented to Australian Council for International Development (ACFID) standard.

Finally, I would especially like to thank the FreeSchools World Literacy Committee of Management, many of whom have been members and donors since the Committee's inception.



*Dr. Robert Coenraads*  
President – FreeSchools World Literacy (Australia)

## **2014 MEMBERSHIP OF THE GOVERNING BODY**

Our Committee of Management has now been in operation since the first official meeting of FreeSchools World Literacy-Australia in June 2007. The Committee has been meeting online at regular intervals and conducting annual general meetings since that time.

The Members of the Committee elected during the 2014 Annual General Meeting are as follows:

**ROBERT COENRAADS** President of FSWL Australia  
8 Trigalana Place, Frenchs Forest NSW 2086  
coenraads01@optusnet.com.au  
Phone: (02) 9451 8496, Mobile 0408 419 632  
Professional Qualifications: BA Hons Geology (Macquarie University), M.Sc Geophysics (University of British Columbia, Vancouver). Ph.D Geology (Macquarie Uni), Fellow Gemmological Association of Australia), Fellow Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy  
Occupation: Director (Coenraads GEMS Pty Ltd)/  
Chief Geologist (Australian Gemstone Mining Pty Ltd)/  
Lecturer, (Gemmological Association of Australia)/  
Author – non-fiction/fiction

**IAN ESMORE** Public Officer of FSWL Australia  
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Occupation: Director (Daylesford Design Studio)

**DELPHINE SWADLING** Secretary of FSWL Australia  
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Occupation: Executive Assistant, BHP Billiton

**MERINDI BELARSKI** Treasurer of FSWL Australia  
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Major in Human Resources, minor in Ethics and Sustainability  
Occupation: Business Improvement Manager (Macquarie Bank)

BERNARD GABRIEL BELARSKI Committee Member of FSWL Australia  
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Professional Qualifications: Father  
Occupation: Parent

DONNA MARIE CERVANTES Committee Member of FSWL Australia  
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Professional Qualifications: Certificate IV in TESOL (Sea English Academy,  
Sunshine Coast, Aust). Advanced Diploma of Recreation Management (Yeronga  
Institute of TAFE, Qld, Aust). Diploma of Teaching (Christchurch Teachers College,  
NZ). Dip Physical Education (equiv BSc.)( Otago University, NZ). Dip Fine and  
Applied Arts (Polytec Otago, NZ).  
Occupation: Distance Education and Yr 11 Art Teacher, Australian Christian College.

KATHLEEN SWADLING Committee Member of FSWL Australia  
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**FreeSchools World Literacy  
(Australia)**

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

**FOR YEAR ENDING**

**31 DECEMBER 2014**

## FreeSchools World Literacy - Australia

### INCOME STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING

REVENUE	2014	2013
Donations and Gifts - monetary	5,410 \$	6,382
Donations and Gifts - non monetary	\$	-
Grants	\$	-
Other Income	7 \$	8
<b>Total Revenue</b>	5,417 \$	6,390
EXPENSES	2,014	2013
Overseas Projects	6,137 \$	7,589
Community Education	- \$	-
Fundraising Costs	- \$	-
Administration	60 \$	40
	\$	-
<b>Total Expenses</b>	6,197 \$	7,630
<b>Excess/(shortfall) of Revenue over Expenses</b>	(780) \$	(1,240)

#### NOTES:

1. Fundraising is via donations so no costs are involved
2. Administration costs are bank fees \$60

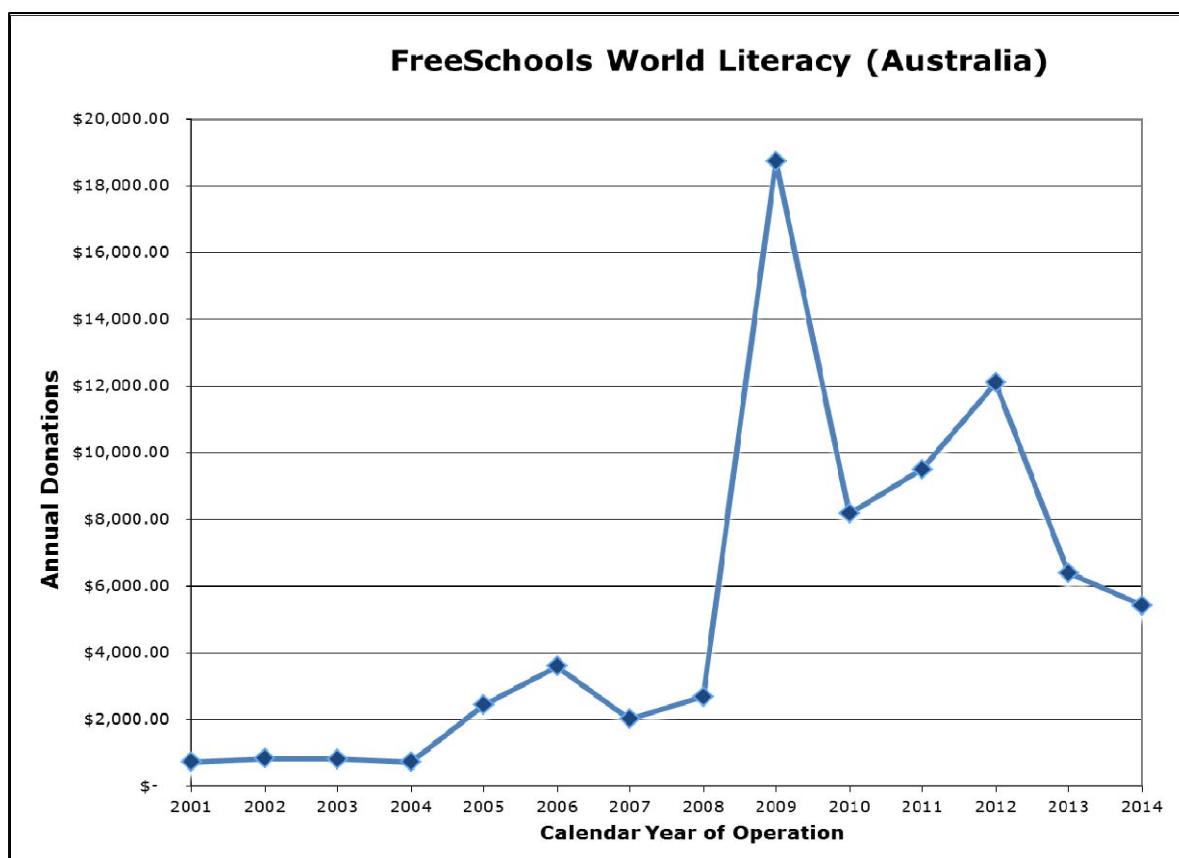
## FreeSchools World Literacy - Australia

### TABLE OF CASH MOVEMENTS FOR DESIGNATED PURPOSES

Cash movements for year ended	Designated Project	Cash available at beginning of year	Cash raised during year	Cash disbursed during year	Cash available at year end
2014	Bihar, India	\$ 200	\$ 1,100	\$ 1,237	\$ 63
2014	Thailand	\$ 400	\$ 2,540	\$ 2,940	\$ -
2014	Africa	\$ 239	\$ 1,770	\$ 2,020	\$ (11)
2014	Interest	\$ 62	\$ 7	\$ -	\$ 69
<b>TOTAL 2014</b>		\$ 901	\$ 5,417	\$ 6,197	\$ 121

## FreeSchools World Literacy - Australia

GRAPH OF DONATED FUNDS VERSUS CALENDAR YEAR



### Statement:

1. FreeSchools World Literacy is reliant on donations for its overseas projects and is financially healthy. During 2014 FreeSchools raised \$5,417 and sent \$6,197 to its overseas projects. Bank costs of \$60 were incurred in sending these funds overseas.
2. These funds were disbursed to FreeSchools projects in Bihar, India (\$1,238), Thailand (\$2,940) and Zambia (\$2,020) where they were used to pay salaries of teachers working at the FreeSchools. This works out to be an average cost of about \$15 to \$20 per year per child being educated and we consider this application of donor funds to be highly effective in providing an education to disadvantaged children.
3. Although currently not a financial member of ACFID, FreeSchools World Literacy remains fully committed to full adherence to the ACFID Code of Conduct.
4. Complaints can be lodged against FreeSchools World Literacy with the President of the Organisation, Dr Robert Coenraads, or any of the other members of the FreeSchools World Literacy Committee of Management, whose full contact details are provided in this report.
5. Complaints about a breach of the Code of Conduct can be made directly to Code Manager of the ACFID Code of Conduct Committee, by completing a complaint form on their website <http://www.acfid.asn.au/code-of-conduct/files/complaint-form>, and attaching all relevant information.



# FreeSchools World Literacy (Australia)

## DETAILED CASH MOVEMENTS

### FOR YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2014

#### GOVERNING BODY DECLARATION

The Committee of Management of FreeSchools World Literacy declare that:

i) The financial statements and notes as set out on pages 10 to 12, are in accordance with the Incorporated Associations Act of Victoria and:

a. Comply with relevant Australian Accounting Standards as applicable;  
and

b. Give a true and fair view of the financial position as at 31<sup>st</sup> Dec 2014 and of the performance for the year ended on that date of the association;

ii) In the Committee of Management's opinion there are reasonable grounds to believe that FreeSchools World Literacy will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the Committee of Management of FreeSchools World Literacy



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Dr Robert R. Coenraads  
[President]  
[Sydney] March 2015

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Mrs. Merindi Belarski  
[Treasurer]

FreeSchools World Literacy - Detailed Cash Flow Movements for the year ending 31 December 2014

Date	Description	Project Bihar,India=1 Thailand=2 Africa=3	Cash available at beginning of year	Cash raised during year	Cash disbursed during year	Cash available
1-Jan-14	opening balance Bihar, India	1	\$ 200.01			
1-Jan-14	opening balance Thailand	2	\$ 399.75			
1-Jan-14	opening balance Africa	3	\$ 239.01			
1-Jan-14	Interest Accrued		\$ 62.94			\$ 901.71
2-Jan-14	Melissa Alldis	1		\$ 30.00		\$ 931.71
3-Jan-14	Internet Online Overseas Payment Fee	1			\$ 40.00	\$ 891.71
15-Jan-14	Delphine & Andrew Swadling	1		\$ 15.00		\$ 906.71
16-Jan-14	Belarski family	1		\$ 15.00		\$ 921.71
28-Jan-14	Donna Cervantes donation	3		\$ 100.00		\$ 1,021.71
3-Feb-14	Melissa Alldis	1		\$ 30.00		\$ 1,051.71
14-Feb-14	Delphine & Andrew Swadling	1		\$ 15.00		\$ 1,066.71
17-Feb-14	Belarski family	1		\$ 15.00		\$ 1,081.71
24-Feb-14	Linda Alcorn (Lauriton NSW)	2		\$ 300.00		\$ 1,381.71
3-Mar-14	Melissa Alldis	1		\$ 30.00		\$ 1,411.71
14-Mar-14	Delphine & Andrew Swadling	1		\$ 15.00		\$ 1,426.71
17-Mar-14	Belarski family	1		\$ 15.00		\$ 1,441.71
31-Mar-14	Interest			\$ 0.99		\$ 1,442.70
2-Apr-14	Melissa Alldis	1		\$ 30.00		\$ 1,472.70
15-Apr-14	Delphine & Andrew Swadling	1		\$ 15.00		\$ 1,487.70
16-Apr-14	Belarski family	1		\$ 15.00		\$ 1,502.70
22-Apr-14	Donna Cervantes donation	3		\$ 170.00		\$ 1,672.70
2-May-14	Melissa Alldis	1		\$ 30.00		\$ 1,702.70
15-May-14	Delphine & Andrew Swadling	1		\$ 15.00		\$ 1,717.70
16-May-14	Belarski family	1		\$ 15.00		\$ 1,732.70
2-Jun-14	Melissa Alldis	1		\$ 30.00		\$ 1,762.70
5-Jun-14	Donna Cervantes donation	3		\$ 200.00		\$ 1,962.70
13-Jun-14	Delphine & Andrew Swadling	1		\$ 15.00		\$ 1,977.70
27-Jun-14	Melissa Alldis	1		\$ 30.00		\$ 2,007.70

30-Jun-14	Interest			\$ 1.50		\$ 2,009.20
15-Jul-14	Delphine & Andrew Swadling	1		\$ 15.00		\$ 2,024.20
15-Jul-14	Donna Cervantes donation	3		\$ 1,000.00		\$ 3,024.20
28-Jul-14	Melissa Alldis	1		\$ 30.00		\$ 3,054.20
4-Aug-14	Kathleen & Trevor Swadling	1		\$ 225.00		\$ 3,279.20
11-Aug-14	Donna Cervantes donation	3		\$ 150.00		\$ 3,429.20
12-Aug-14	Belarski family	1		\$ 30.00		\$ 3,459.20
15-Aug-14	Delphine & Andrew Swadling	1		\$ 15.00		\$ 3,474.20
18-Aug-14	Donna Cervantes donation	3		\$ 150.00		\$ 3,624.20
18-Aug-14	Belarski family	1		\$ 15.00		\$ 3,639.20
27-Aug-14	Kathleen & Trevor Swadling	1		\$ 25.00		\$ 3,664.20
27-Aug-14	Melissa Alldis	1		\$ 30.00		\$ 3,694.20
12-Sep-14	Teacher's Salary Kantolomba School	3			\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,694.20
15-Sep-14	Delphine & Andrew Swadling	1		\$ 15.00		\$ 1,709.20
15-Sep-14	Belarski family	1		\$ 15.00		\$ 1,724.20
29-Sep-14	Kathleen & Trevor Swadling	1		\$ 25.00		\$ 1,749.20
29-Sep-14	Melissa Alldis	1		\$ 30.00		\$ 1,779.20
30-Sep-14	Interest			\$ 2.50		\$ 1,781.70
1-Oct-14	Online Banking O'Seas Payment Fee	3			\$ 20.00	\$ 1,761.70
15-Oct-14	Delphine & Andrew Swadling	1		\$ 15.00		\$ 1,776.70
16-Oct-14	Belarski family	1		\$ 15.00		\$ 1,791.70
27-Oct-14	Melissa Alldis	1		\$ 30.00		\$ 1,821.70
27-Oct-14	Kathleen & Trevor Swadling	1		\$ 25.00		\$ 1,846.70
13-Nov-14	Belarski family	1		\$ 7.50		\$ 1,854.20
14-Nov-14	Delphine & Andrew Swadling	1		\$ 15.00		\$ 1,869.20
27-Nov-14	Belarski family	1		\$ 7.50		\$ 1,876.70
27-Nov-14	Kathleen & Trevor Swadling	1		\$ 25.00		\$ 1,901.70
27-Nov-14	Melissa Alldis	1		\$ 30.00		\$ 1,931.70
8-Dec-14	Belrose Junior Guides	2		\$ 40.00		\$ 1,971.70
8-Dec-14	Forest Kirk Womens Fellowship	2		\$ 200.00		\$ 2,171.70
11-Dec-14	Belarski family	1		\$ 7.50		\$ 2,179.20
15-Dec-14	Delphine & Andrew Swadling	1		\$ 15.00		\$ 2,194.20
18-Dec-14	Robert Coenraads (Francis Nieves Memorial Fu	2		\$ 2,000.00		\$ 4,194.20
24-Dec-14	International Transfer to India via FSWL-USA	1			\$ 1,197.51	\$ 2,996.69

29-Dec-14	Belarski family	1		\$ 7.50		\$ 3,004.19
29-Dec-14	Kathleen & Trevor Swadling	1		\$ 25.00		\$ 3,029.19
29-Dec-14	Melissa Alldis	1		\$ 30.00		\$ 3,059.19
29-Dec-14	International Transfer to Mirror Foundation, Th	2			\$ 2,939.75	\$ 119.44
31-Dec-14	Interest			\$ 1.81		\$ 121.25
31-Dec-13	TOTAL		\$ 901.71	\$ 5,416.80	\$ 6,197.26	\$ 121.25
Date	Description	Project Bihar,India=1 Thailand=2 Africa=3	Cash available at beginning of year	Cash raised during year	Cash disbursed during year	Cash available at year end
31-Dec-14	2013 Total Bihar, India Project	1	\$ 200.01	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 1,237.51	\$ 62.50
31-Dec-14	2013 Total Thailand Project	2	\$ 399.75	\$ 2,540.00	\$ 2,939.75	\$ -
31-Dec-14	2013 Total Africa Project	3	\$ 239.01	\$ 1,770.00	\$ 2,020.00	-\$ 10.99
31-Dec-14	2013 Annual Interest		\$ 62.94	\$ 6.80	\$ -	\$ 69.74
31-Dec-14	TOTAL		\$ 901.71	\$ 5,416.80	\$ 6,197.26	\$ 121.25
NOTES:						
2014	Interest		\$ 6.80			
2013	Bank Fees		\$ 60.00			
Total accumulated funds to 31 Dec 2014 of \$121.25 agrees with bank statement						

FREESCHOOLS WORLD LITERACY (Australia)

Audit Report for the year ending 31 December 2014

Following an audit of the above organisation, it is my opinion that the financial records and supporting statements give a true and fair view of the activities of this organisation for the year indicated above.

It is noted that as in past years no official receipts were issued for each donation, but it is understood each donation was acknowledged by letter and each donation can be traced as a separate entry on the bank statements. This is considered to be satisfactory at present. If the committee for the FreeSchools World Literacy were to issue official receipts at some future time then that would be considered an additional safeguard to the present system of acknowledgement by letter of each donation.

In accordance with the ACFID Code of Conduct a Table of Cash Movements for Designated Purposes has been included in the Financial Report for the year ended 31 December 2014 and has been noted and verified by the auditor.

In regard to compliance with the annual and financial reporting requirements of the ACFID Code of Conduct, it is understood that the financial statements and reports prepared by the FreeSchools World Literacy charity basically conforms to the requirements laid down by the code.



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