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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER
PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 UNDER
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of May 2005

PEARSON plc (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

N/A

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

80 Strand
London, England WC2R ORL
44-20-7010-2000
(Address of principal executive office)

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant $\,$ files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F:

Form 20-F X Form 40-F

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Yes No X

This Report includes the following documents:

1. A press release from Pearson plc announcing 'Holding(s) in Company'

To: RNS

Notification of Change in Interest in Shares

We write in accordance with rule 9.12. under the continuing obligations section of the Listing Rules, to notify you that on 4 May 2005 we received information that, pursuant to section 198 of the Companies Act 1985, the shareholding of The Capital Group Companies, Inc., which equals to 118,845,348 shares, now represents 14.79% of the issued ordinary share capital of Pearson plc.

The registered holders of the shares are listed on the schedule below.

From: Pearson plc

Letter to Pearson PLC Dated 2 May 2005

Section 198 Notification Notification of Decrease

This Notice is given by The Capital Group Companies, Inc. on behalf of its affiliates, including Capital Research and Management Company, Capital International S.A., Capital International, Inc., Capital International Limited, and Capital Guardian Trust Company, pursuant to Section 198 of the Companies Act 1985.

The interest in the relevant share capital indicated below arises by virtue of holdings attributed to the Companies (see Schedule A). These holdings form part of funds managed on behalf of investment clients by the Companies.

Share capital to which this relates:

Ordinary Shares (803,552,230 shares outstanding)

Number of shares in which the Companies have an interest:

118,845,348

Name(s) of registered holder(s):

See Schedule B

As of 2 May 2005

Pearson plc		Percent of Outstanding
The Capital Group Companies Inc. ("CG") holdings	118,845,348	14.790%
Holdings by CG Management Companies and Funds:		
* Capital Guardian Trust Company	56,215,659	6.996%
* Capital International Limited	16,856,174	2.098%
* Capital International S.A.	5,442,749	0.677%

7	* Capital International Inc.		12,963,494	1.613%
4	* Capital Research and Management	Company	27,367,272	3.406%

Schedule A

Schedule of holdings in Pearson plc As of 2 May, 2005

Capital Guardian Trust Company

Registered Name	Local Shares
State Street Nominees Limited	7,221,818
Bank of New York Nominees	1,870,658
Northern Trust	286,709
Chase Manhattan Bank Australia Limited	1,500
Chase Nominees Limited	24,978,080
BT Globenet Nominees Ltd.	761,835
Midland Bank plc	5,925,475
Cede & Co.	136,363
Deutsche Bank Mannheim	2,200
Bankers Trust	1,878,800
Barclays Bank	427,800
Citibank London	11,100
Royal Trust	14,500
Brown Bros.	60,600
Nortrust Nominees	8,558,582
Royal Bank of Scotland	113,300
MSS Nominees Limited	51,200
State Street Bank & Trust Co.	67,000
Citibank	13,600
RBSTB Nominees Ltd	2,200
Citibank NA	45,500

Deutsche Bank AG		2,100
HSBC Bank PLC		13,600
Mellon Bank N.A.		187,900
ROY Nominees Limited		45,800
Mellon Nominees (UK) Limited		1,903,904
HSBC		43,900
JP Morgan Chase Bank		1,589,635
	TOTAL	56,215,659

Schedule B

Capital International Limited

Registered Name	Local Shares
State Street Nominees Limited	577 , 962
Bank of New York Nominees	4,024,619
Northern Trust	1,212,588
Chase Nominees Limited	2,842,315
Midland Bank Plc	78,200
Bankers Trust	258 , 571
Barclays Bank	67,200
Citibank London	129,766
Morgan Guaranty	284,300
Nortrust Nominees	3,068,146
Royal Bank of Scotland	850,600
MSS Nominees Limited	91,200
State Street Bank & Trust Co	411,100
National Westminster Bank	81,700
Lloyds Bank	53,600
Citibank NA	23,500
Deutsche Bank AG	1,319,836
HSBC Bank plc	1,051,630
Mellon Bank N.A.	43,316

KAS UK		61,425
Bank One London		199,600
Clydesdale Bank plc		99,500
JP Morgan Chase Bank		25,500
	TOTAL	16,856,174

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Capital International S.A.

Registered Name	:	Local Shares
State Street Nominees Limited		16,036
Bank of New York Nominees		27,700
Chase Nominees Limited		2,725,942
Credit Suisse London Branch		20,000
Midland Bank plc		744,500
Barclays Bank		317,318
Pictet & Cie, Geneva		10,900
Citibank London		21,200
Brown Bros.		117,000
Nortrust Nominees		11,300
Morgan Stanley		12,900
Royal Bank of Scotland		130,018
J.P. Morgan		577 , 883
State Street Bank & Trust Co.		45,600
National Westminster Bank		35,200
Lloyds Bank		44,300
RBSTB Nominees Ltd		60,100
Deutsche Bank AG		89 , 752
HSBC Bank plc		410,900
HSBC		24,200
	TOTAL	5,442,749

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Capital International Inc.

Registered Name		Local Shares
State Street Nominees Limited		4,327,457
Bank of New York Nominees		1,308,336
Northern Trust		52,600
Chase Nominees Limited		2,991,850
Midland Bank plc		334,600
Bankers Trust		51,500
Citibank London		109,000
Brown Bros.		238,100
Nortrust Nominees		902,998
Royal Bank of Scotland		237,500
State Street Bank & Trust Co.		961,096
Sumitomo Trust & Banking		89,500
Citibank		28,800
RBSTB Nominees Ltd		52,000
Citibank NA		491,957
State Street Australia Limited		68,000
HSBC Bank PLC		196,600
JP Morgan Chase Bank		521,600
	TOTAL	12,963,494

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Capital Research & Management Company

Registered Name		Local Shares
State Street Nominees Limited		750,000
Chase Nominees Limited		26,617,272
	TOTAL	27,367,272

Schedule B

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

PEARSON plc

Date: 05 May 2005

By: /s/ STEPHEN JONES

Stephen Jones
Deputy Secretary