



NAME & TITLE:

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MY FAVOURITE THING ABOUT ST BRIDE FOUNDATION IS:

The building itself! Sometimes what I hate most about SBF too ...

WERE I A TYPEFACE, THE TYPEFACE I WOULD BE WOULD BE:

Wingdings. Because it makes no sense.

ONE OF MY FAVOURITE ITEMS FROM THE ST BRIDE LIBRARY COLLECTIONS IS:

An accounts balance sheet from a company called Messrs Rock Bros, dated 1884. Hand written in beautiful, elaborate script. It's stored next to the conservation desk in Room Nineteen. Whenever I see it, I picture some Bob Cratchit type sat at a huge wooden desk, painstakingly writing it out for some horrible Victorian boss. I imagine the frustration if he made a mistake, either in his writing or his maths, and had to start all over again. So much careful work just to produce a spreadsheet. Nowadays anybody can knock one up in five minutes but some real skills have been lost. And I wonder what this Bob Cratchit type Clerk would make of that. Also the total amount of £34,342 is the equivalent of £4,295,555 today!

MY SIMPLE PLEASURES DURING LOCKDOWN INVOLVE:

After three weeks back at work preparing the building to be COVID19 secure, lockdown seems a lifetime ago ...

WHEN LOCKDOWN IS LIFTED, MY PERFECT DAY WILL BE:

Going to an airport, getting on a plane, flying somewhere exciting.

