

PEARSON PLC  
Form 6-K  
December 28, 2017

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 December 2017

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 0RL  
44-20-7010-2000  
(Address of principal executive office)

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant files or will file annual reports  
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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

Transactions in own shares

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Pearson plc (the Company) announces today it has purchased the following number of its ordinary shares of 25 pence each on the London Stock Exchange from Citigroup Global Markets Limited.

Date of purchase:	28 December 2017
Aggregate number of ordinary shares of 25 pence each purchased:	74,871
Lowest price paid per share (GBP):	730.5000
Highest price paid per share (GBP):	735.5000
Average price paid per share (GBP):	733.6960

The Company will cancel the purchased shares.

These share purchases form part of the Company's existing buy-back programme which is expected to be completed over the period from 18 October 2017 to 26 April 2018, details of which were announced on 17 October 2017.

The table below contains detailed information of the individual trades made by Citigroup Global Markets Limited as part of the buyback programme.

Schedule of Purchases

Shares purchased: Pearson plc (ISIN: GB0006776081)

Date of purchases: 28 December 2017

Investment firm: Citigroup Global Markets Limited

Aggregate information:

Venue	Average price paid per Share	Aggregate number of Shares purchased	Lowest price paid per Share	Highest price paid per Share
London Stock Exchange	733.6260	25,000	730.5000	735.5000
Chi-x Europe	733.7295	30,000	731.0000	735.5000
BATS Europe	733.7335	19,871	731.0000	735.5000

Individual transactions:

Transaction date and time	Volume	Price (GBP)	Trading Venue	Transaction Reference Number
Thu 28 Dec 16:29:55 BST 2017	176	734.00	XLON	17362XJ7apw
Thu 28 Dec 16:29:55 BST 2017	200	734.00	XLON	17362XJ7apv
Thu 28 Dec 16:29:29 BST 2017	255	734.00	CHIX	17362XJ7anh
Thu 28 Dec 16:29:27 BST 2017	412	734.00	CHIX	17362XJ7and
Thu 28 Dec 16:28:24 BST 2017	85	734.00	CHIX	17362XJ7akl
Thu 28 Dec 16:28:24 BST 2017	64	734.00	CHIX	17362XJ7akk
Thu 28 Dec 16:27:39 BST 2017	304	734.00	BATE	17362XJ7aio
Thu 28 Dec 16:27:39 BST 2017	397	734.00	BATE	17362XJ7aim
Thu 28 Dec 16:27:39 BST 2017	423	734.00	XLON	17362XJ7ail
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SIGNATURE

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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: 28 December 2017

By: /s/ NATALIE WHITE

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Natalie White  
Deputy Company Secretary