

# RM plc 14 Month Period to 30 November 2011

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To be read in conjunction with the Preliminary Results announcement released on 6 February 2012

### FY11 Overview

#### A Difficult Year

- Education sector severely impacted by public sector cuts (BSF shielded RM from total impact)
- International businesses under-performed, particularly USA
- RM had not taken adequate action to prepare for foreseeable challenges

#### **Strategic Review**

- Substantial restructuring, including disposals of non-core businesses
- 4 Operating divisions created with greater focus and clearer strategies
- Cost reduction and redundancy programme

#### **Positives**

- RM has retained an unparalleled position in UK education market
- Group remains profitable (Adj operating profit: £10.0m in 14 months to 30 November 2011)
- Strongest cash position at period end since 2008(Gross cash: £24.5m)

### **Future Opportunities**

- Leverage established UK distribution channel to be supplier of choice into UK schools
- Greater focus on innovation. Limited innovation/investment in recent years in some businesses
- New initiatives being evaluated

### Group Financial Summary

| £m                         | 12 months to<br>Sept 2010 | 14 months to<br>Nov 2011 |
|----------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| Revenue                    | 380.1                     | 350.8                    |
| Adjusted operating profit* | 22.6                      | 10.0                     |
| Adjusted diluted EPS(p)    | 18.8                      | 7.3                      |

| 12 months to<br>Nov 2010 | 12 months to<br>Nov 2011 |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 376.1                    | 310.1                    |
| 21.4                     | 14.1                     |
| 17.4                     | 10.8                     |

| Cash from operations                              | 23.7 | 24.8 |
|---|------|------|
| Gross cash at Sept/Nov                            | 13.8 | 24.5 |
| Net funds less deferred consideration at Sept/Nov | 0.5  | 11.3 |

| 14.2   | 39.5 |
|--------|------|
| 3.7    | 24.5 |
| (15.7) | 11.3 |

<sup>\*</sup>Adjusted operating profit and EPS are before amortisation of acquisition related intangible assets and other intangible assets, share-based payment charges, exceptional charges & exceptional pension credit in 2010 2010 data has been restated to remove share-based payment charges and all restructuring costs

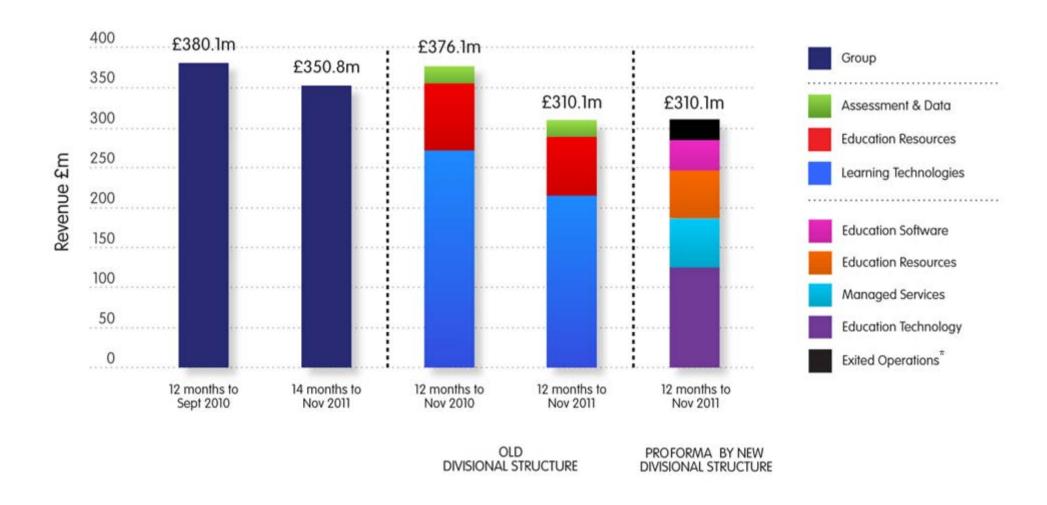
### FY11 Divisional Summary

12 months to 30 November

| £m                         |       | ning<br>ologies | Educ<br>Reso | ation<br>urces | Assessi<br>Do |      | To    | tal   |
|----------------------------|-------|-----------------|--------------|----------------|---------------|------|-------|-------|
|                            | 2010  | 2011            | 2010         | 2011           | 2010          | 2011 | 2010  | 2011  |
| Revenue                    | 271.8 | 214.4           | 81.6         | 74.4           | 22.7          | 21.3 | 376.1 | 310.1 |
| Adjusted Operating Profit* | 9.7   | 8.7             | 8.8          | 3.8            | 2.9           | 1.6  | 21.4  | 14.1  |
| % Profit                   | 3.6%  | 4.1%            | 10.8%        | 5.2%           | 12.9%         | 7.4% | 5.7%  | 4.6%  |

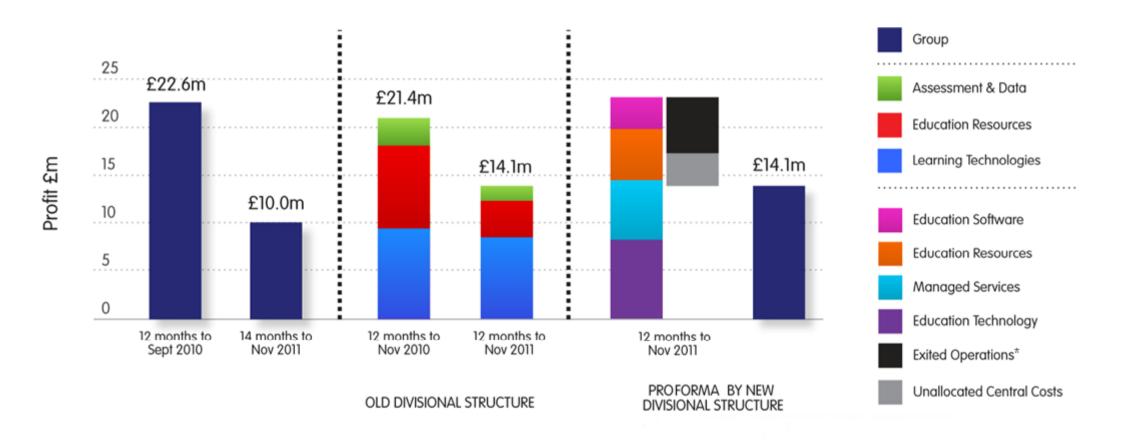
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### Group Revenue

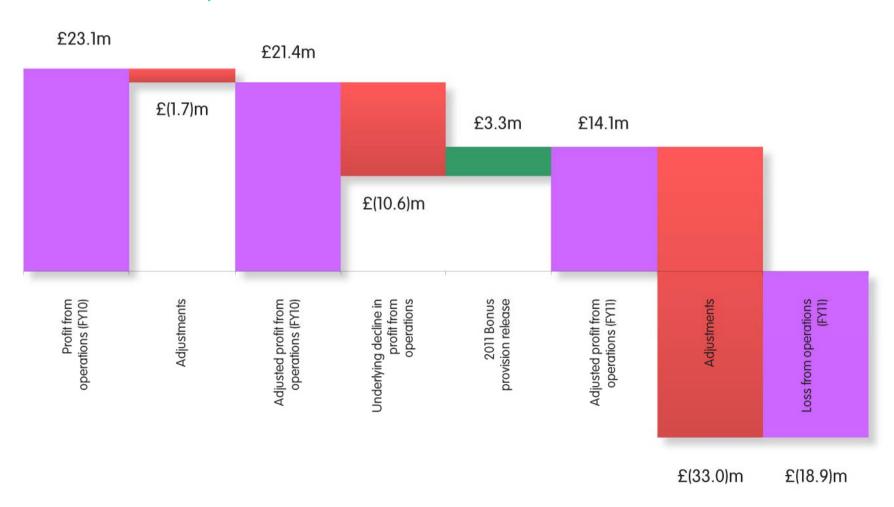


<sup>\*</sup>Exited operations are businesses sold and held for sale at the balance sheet date, some of which have subsequently been sold.

### Group Adjusted Operating Profit



## Profit from Operations FY10 to FY11 comparison (12 months to 30 November)



### Adjustments to Operating Profit

12 months to 30 November 2011

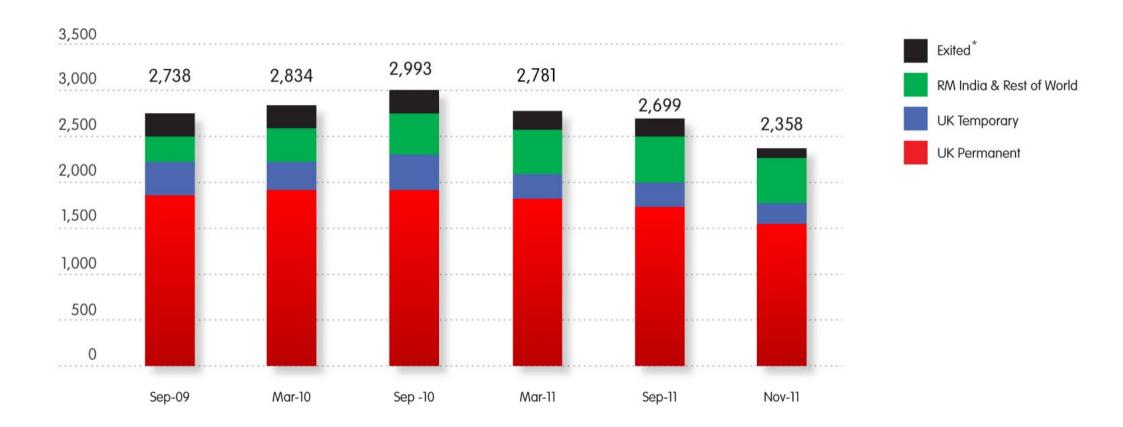
£14.1m



<sup>\*</sup>Impairments of goodwill, intangible assets and loss of sale on operations

<sup>\*\*</sup>Increase in provisions for dilapidations on leased properties and onerous lease contracts

### **Group Headcount**



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### **Exited Operations**

### **US Hardware (Computrac)**

• Approx consideration: £2.9m. Loss-making in FY11

#### **Australia**

Approx consideration : £0.9m. Loss-making in FY11

#### DACTA

Inventory realisation at approximately 70% of book value: £0.2m. Loss-making in FY11

#### Lego JV

Approx consideration : £3.8m, incl debt repayment. Loss-making in FY11

#### AMI (Easytrace)

Approx consideration: £0.6m + £0.5m Debtors. Loss-making in FY11

Value realised approx. £8.9m (£3.8m received in period and remainder in 2012)

#### Held for Sale and Investment

- ISIS: In process. Outcome uncertain
- Inclusive: 25% minority share holding to be sold in due course

### **Debt Facilities**

### New £30m unsecured committed Revolving Credit Facility signed with Barclays

- Runs to 27 March 2015 with mutually agreed extensions to March 2017
- Margin 2.75% over LIBOR, falling to 2.50% after a year, subject to Debt / EBITDA ratio

#### Principal financial covenants

- Debt / EBITDA < 2.5 times</li>
- Interest cover > 4.0 times

#### Replaces

- £25m HSBC committed acquisition facility (£13m drawn)
- US \$39.5m (£25m) HSBC uncommitted Sterling Dealing Line

Retaining existing £3m on-demand Barclays overdraft facility

### Pensions

#### IAS 19 on balance sheet deficit increased:

|   | £m     |   |
|---|--------|---|
| Deficit at 30 Sep 2010                      | (12.4) | £9.0m net of tax  |
| Cash in excess of service cost              | 1.8    | Annual deficit reduction payments committed to May 2017           |
| Asset returns                               | 5.8    |   |
| Interest on liabilities                     | (7.1)  |   |
| Impact of market assumptions on liabilities | (9.3)  | Reduction in UK<br>Corporate Bond<br>yield based<br>discount rate |
| Deficit at 30 Nov 2011                      | (21.2) | £15.9m net of tax   |

| UK Defined Benefit Pension Scheme<br>Consistent record of management action                       |
|---|
| 2002: base retirement age increased to 65   |
| 2003: closed to new members   |
| 2005: 1pp increase in employee contributions  |
| 2007: 5% pa cap on pensionable salary increase  |
| 2007/08: £3.5m special company contribution   |
| 2009: 1pp increase in employee contributions  |
| 2010: 1pp increase in employee contributions  |
| 2010: 2.5% pa cap on pensionable salary increase  |
| <b>2011</b> : Discussions in progress with Trustees regarding potential closure to future accrual |
|   |

- Discussions started with Trustees regarding potential closure of scheme to future accrual
- Triennial valuation due as at 31 May 2012

### RM Strategy

Group Strategy: UK education market with international distribution

### Phase 1: Restructuring Almost Complete

- Disposal of non-core businesses
- Continuing operations restructured into 4 divisions
- Headcount and cost base reduced significantly

### **Phase 2: Operational Strategy**

- Strategy for each product category/service offering in each division being defined
- Increased emphasis on working capital management

### Phase 3: New Growth Opportunities

- Leverage well-established distribution channels
- New initiatives being evaluated
- M&A opportunities in UK to be considered

### Strengths & Opportunities

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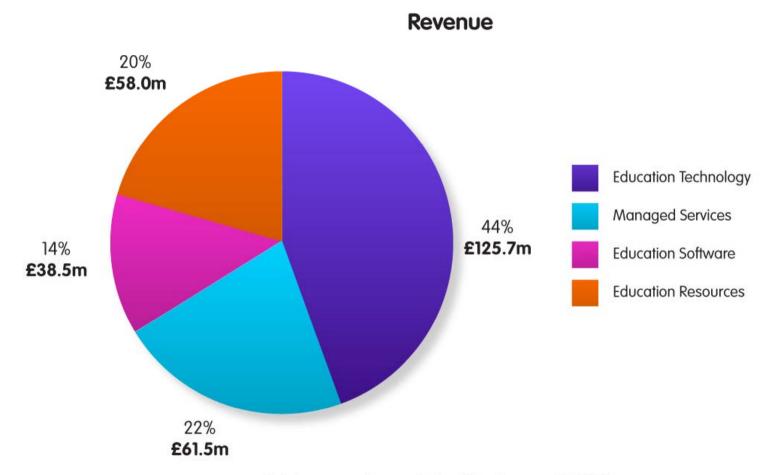
- Brand and distribution channels in UK
- Breadth and depth of experience in education market
- Staff: commitment and market knowledge
- Cost-effective Indian support centre
- Profitable and cash-generative despite difficult market. Strong cash position

### **Opportunities**

- Expansion of offerings to customer base
- New initiatives
- International distribution (not fixed infrastructure)
- Working capital management
- New structure and improving financial systems will reduce time to respond to market changes/opportunities

### New Organisation Structure

12 months to 30 November 2011



Total revenue from retained business = £283.7m

### **Overview & Strategy**

#### **Classroom Technologies**

- PC hardware (RM & 3rd-party), other hardware (e.g. whiteboards), implementation & support
  - Approx 2,300 schools purchased hardware/related services from RM. Good performance in academies and free schools
- Revenue & margins will remain under pressure

#### **Network Solutions**

- Network hardware (third-party) and software (RM)
  - Approx 5,700 schools use RM network management software
- Revenue & margins will remain under pressure

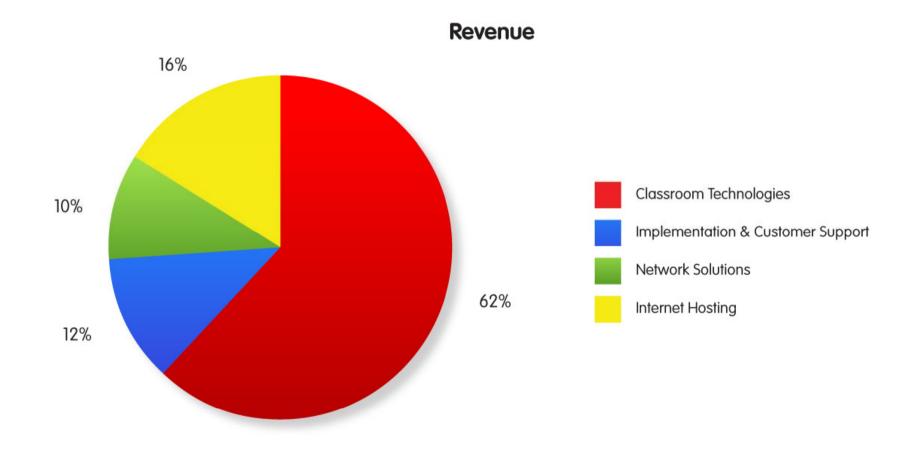
#### Internet Hosting & Connectivity Services

- RM has strong position as leading provider of connectivity services to UK schools
  - Approx 8,000 schools, 2 million teachers and children
- Less seasonal than product business

#### Strategy

- RM relationships at school level
- Expand offerings through established distribution channel

Retained Operations (12 months to 30 November 2011)



Total revenue from retained business = £125.7m

### **Retained Operations**

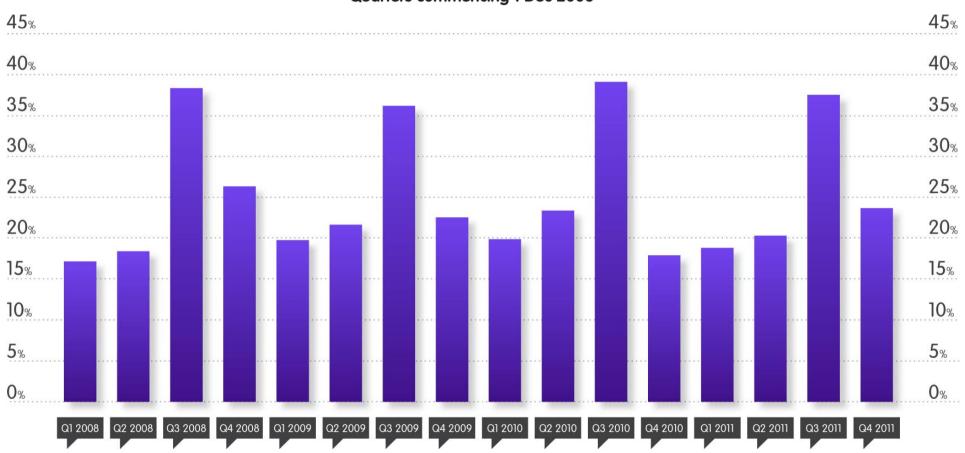


- All business areas anticipated to continue to experience market pressures
- Margins anticipated to be consistent with other hardware-oriented IT businesses
- Strategic importance to RM as the Group's major sales channel to UK schools

Revenue

### **Revenue Seasonality**

#### **Quarters commencing 1 Dec 2008**



### **Overview & Strategy**

#### **Building Schools for the Future (BSF)**

- Successful implementation of 44 schools in 2011. Reduction on 2010
- Peak implementation year is 2012 (approx 50 schools)
- Decline from 2013 and minimal revenue from new implementations after 2014
- Typically managed services contracts after implementation
- Working capital unwinds in 2012-2014

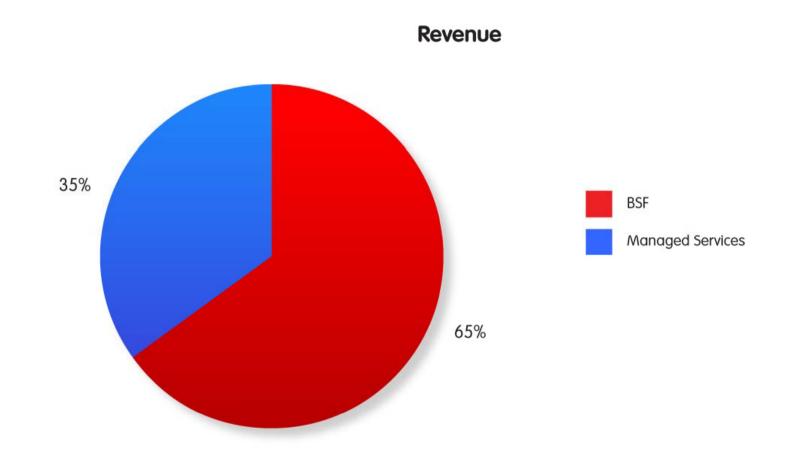
#### **Managed Services**

- Providing IT infrastructure support for schools
  - Approx 800 schools take managed service from RM
- Opportunities to improve contract profitability through additional services/improved change control

#### Strategy

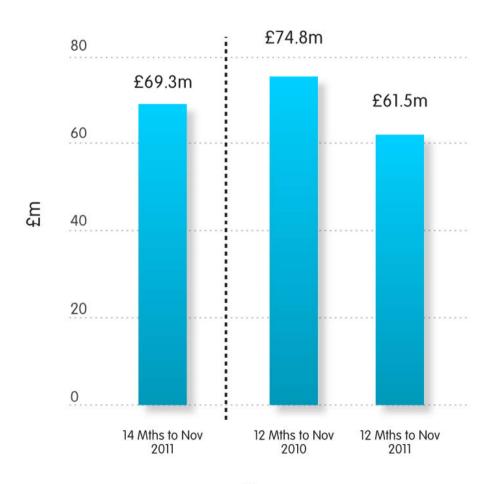
- Delivery of BSF implementations. Operational excellence but with greater commercial focus
- Extension of Managed Services provision post-BSF
- Anticipate and align structure for post-BSF (2013)
- Expand customer base to leverage established infrastructure

Retained Operations (12 months to 30 November 2011)



Total revenue from retained business = £61.5m

### **Retained Operations**

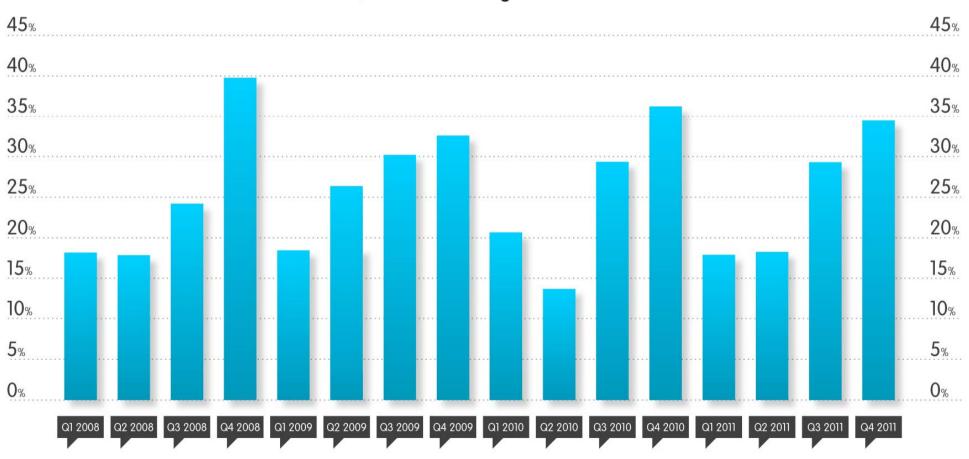


- 2011 revenue decline in line with BSF roll-out schedule
- Increase in 2012 revenue anticipated with decline thereafter
- Margins anticipated to be relatively constant

Revenue

### Revenue Seasonality

#### **Quarters commencing 1 Dec 2008**



### Overview & Strategy

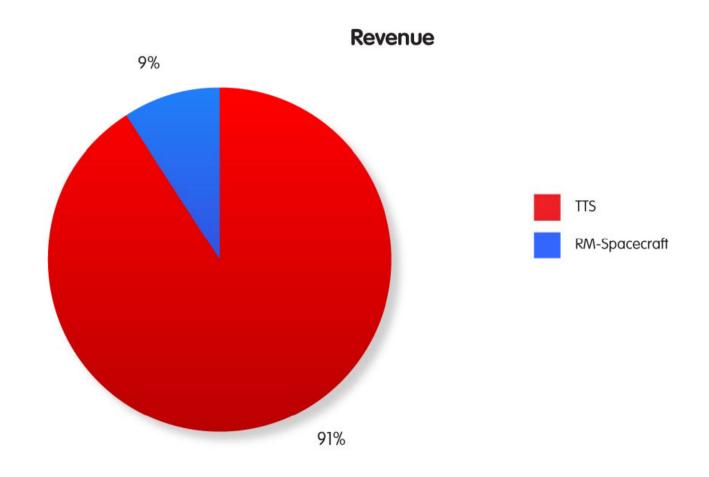
#### TTS

- Value-added distribution of RM-developed and third-party classroom resources. Primarily direct to schools but some via dealer/distributors/retailers (28%) and international distributor network (8%)
  - Approx 90% of primary schools and 45% of secondary schools supplied by TTS
- Strong product management capability. Over 500 new offerings launched in 2011
- Efficient, well-managed business delivering consistently strong margin
- Opportunities to improve return on capital by improved supply chain and inventory management
- Growth Strategy: Increasing UK market share, International distribution, RM@Home

#### RM SpaceKraft

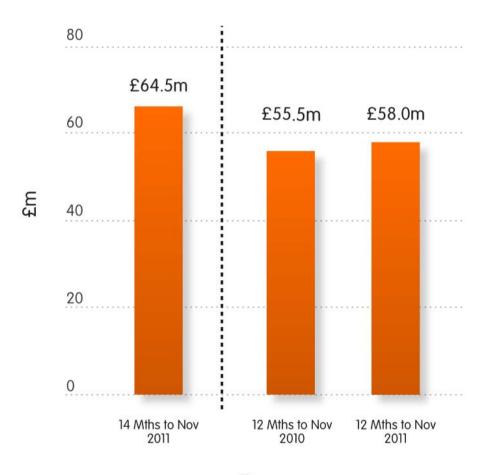
- From product to full installation of Special Educational Needs environments. Primarily direct to schools but some via international distributor network (10%)
- Successful turnaround by new management team in 2010
- Opportunity to improve return on capital by improved inventory management
- Strategy: sustain performance and improve return on capital

Retained Operations (12 months to 30 November 2011)



Total revenue from retained business = £58.0m

### **Retained Operations**

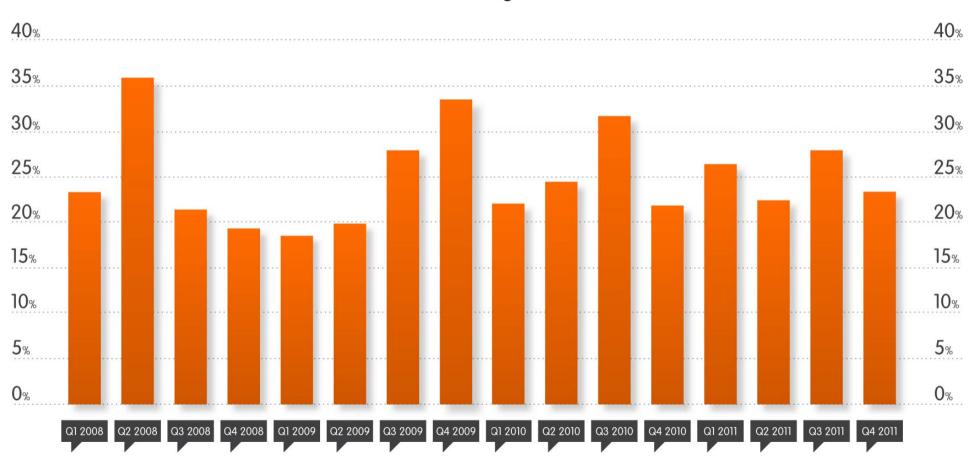


- TTS revenue growth of 4% in 2011. RM-Spacekraft decline of 5%
- TTS margins anticipated to be relatively constant
- RM-Spacekraft profitable but lower margin than TTS

Revenue

### **Revenue Seasonality**

#### **Quarters commencing 1 Dec 2008**



### Overview

#### Assessment: e-Marking and e-Testing solutions and services

- Strong UK market position and growing internationally
- 4 new e-marking customers
- 2 contract extensions worth a combined total of £33m

#### **Data Solutions**

Dominated by large DfE contract – retender anticipated in 2012

#### **Learning Platforms**

• Established presence but has proven to be discretionary expenditure. Major contract not being reprocured post-2012

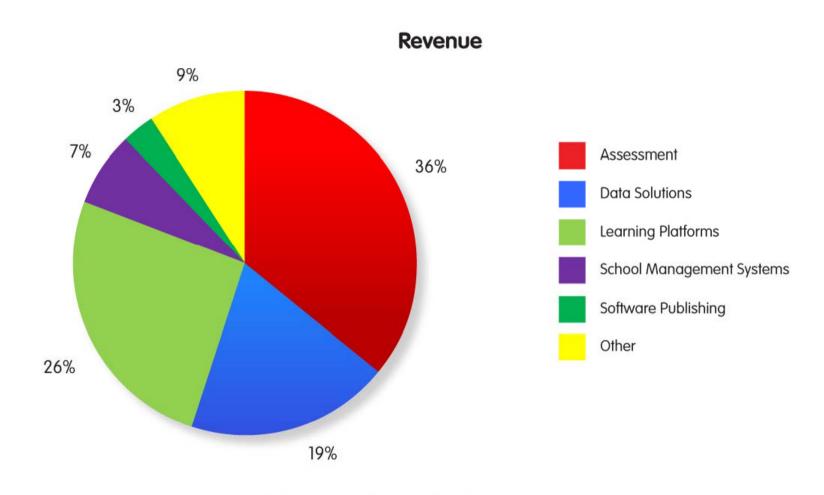
#### School Management Systems

Second largest provider of SMS in UK - all UK customers on SaaS model

#### Software Publishing

- RM Easimaths launched at BETT. (Predecessor RM Maths installed base approx 4,000 schools)
- Easiteach: Sold via trade dealers and OEMs, bundled with interactive devices. (Approx 350,000 licences sold)
- Product portfolio reviewed and minor products being phased out

Retained Operations (12 months to 30 November 2011)



Total revenue from retained business = £38.5m

### **Retained Operations**



### Revenue

#### In 2011:

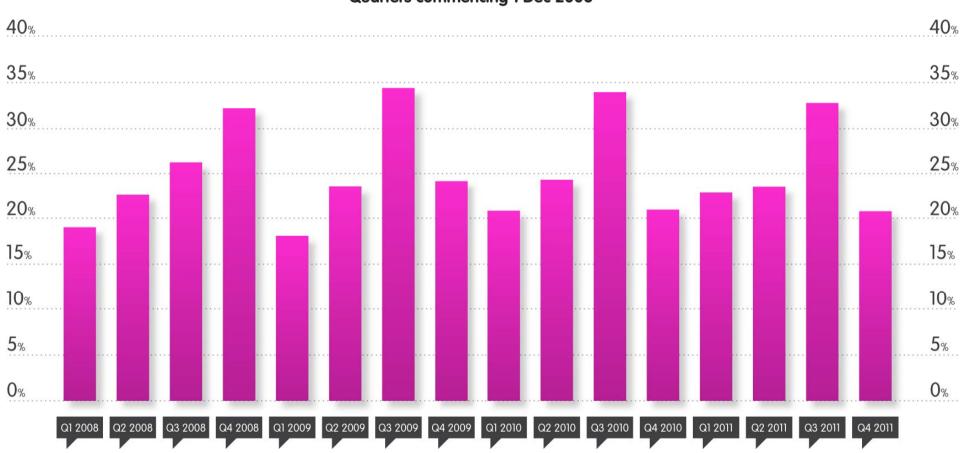
- ADS declined by ~6%
- SMS and LP declined by ~14%
- Easiteach declined materially related to review of provisions
- Other activities had mixed performance

Assessment business and SMS relatively stable. Other software activities under significant pressure

Margins anticipated to be relatively constant

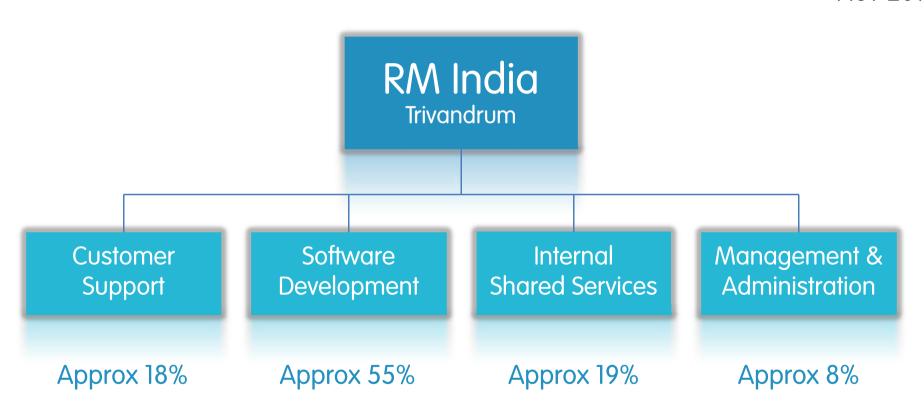
### **Revenue Seasonality**

#### **Quarters commencing 1 Dec 2008**



## RM India 30 November 2011

476 employees (30 Nov 2011) Total Cost - £6.2m for 14 months to Nov 2011



RM India is a wholly-owned subsidiary of RM and solely supports RM Group businesses

### Summary

### 2011 – A challenging year

- But operating profitably and cash-generative
- Strongest period end cash position since 2008

### Restructuring almost complete

- 4 operating divisions with clear strategies
- Successful disposal programme
- Substantial reduction in cost base
- New committed banking facilities agreed

### Future challenges identified

- RM retains a unique market position in a rapidly changing market
- Challenges and risks in each division identified
- Greater focus on working capital
- New growth initiatives being evaluated



### **Appendices**

## Appendix 1 Income statement

|   | Year to 30 Nov |              |         |          |              |         |
|---|----------------|--------------|---------|----------|--------------|---------|
| £m  |                | 2010         |         |          | 2011         |         |
|   | Adjusted       | Adjustments* | Total   | Adjusted | Adjustments* | Total   |
| Revenue   | 376.1          | -            | 376.1   | 310.1    | -            | 310.1   |
| Cost of sales   | (276.9)        | -            | (276.9) | (228.7)  | -            | (228.7) |
| Gross profit  | 99.2           | -            | 99.2    | 81.4     | -            | 81.4    |
| Gross profit %  | 26.4%          | -            | 26.4%   | 26.2%    | -            | 26.2%   |
| Operating expenses  | (77.8)         | -            | (77.8)  | (67.3)   | -            | (67.3)  |
| Amortisation of acquisition related intangible assets     | -              | (1.1)        | (1.1)   | -        | (0.6)        | (0.6)   |
| Impairment of goodwill, intangible assets and investments | -              | -            | -       | -        | (12.3)       | (12.3)  |
| Loss on sale of operations                                | -              | -            | -       | -        | (4.4)        | (4.4)   |
| Share-based payment charges                               | -              | (1.5)        | (1.5)   | -        | (1.1)        | (1.1)   |
| Restructuring costs                                       | -              | (1.3)        | (1.3)   | -        | (8.6)        | (8.6)   |
| Increase in property related provisions                   | -              | -            | -       | -        | (6.0)        | (6.0)   |
| Exceptional costs relating to curtailment of BSF          | -              | (1.5)        | (1.5)   | -        | -            | -       |
| Exceptional pension credit                                | -              | 7.1          | 7.1     | -        | -            | -       |
|   | (77.8)         | 1.7          | (76.1)  | (67.3)   | (33.0)       | (100.3) |
| Profit/(loss) from operations                             | 21.4           | 1.7          | 23.1    | 14.1     | (33.0)       | (18.9)  |
| Profit /(loss) from operations %                          | 5.7%           | -            | 6.1%    | 4.6%     | -            | (6.1)%  |
| Net investment income and finance costs                   | (0.6)          | -            | (0.6)   | 0.4      | -            | 0.4     |
| Profit/(loss) before tax                                  | 20.8           | 1.7          | 22.5    | 14.5     | (33.0)       | (18.5)  |
| Tax   | (4.8)          | (0.8)        | (5.6)   | (4.7)    | 3.9          | (0.8)   |
| Profit/(loss) for the period                              | 16.0           | 0.9          | 16.9    | 9.8      | (29.1)       | (19.3)  |
| Basic earnings/(loss) per ordinary share                  | 17.6p          | 1.0p         | 18.6p   | 10.8p    | (32.0)p      | (21.2)p |
| Dividend per share  | -              | -            | 6.64p   | -        | -            | 3.00p   |

# Appendix 2 Balance sheet

| £m   | 30 Nov<br><b>2010</b> | 30 Nov<br><b>2011</b> |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Goodwill and acquisition intangibles                 | 37.8                  | 18.5                  |
| Property, plant & equipment and software intangibles | 23.9                  | 20.2                  |
| Interest in associate                                | 1.0                   | 0.3                   |
| Other Receivables                                    | -                     | 2.6                   |
| Deferred tax assets                                  | 3.9                   | 7.0                   |
| Total non-current assets                             | 66.6                  | 48.6                  |
| Inventories  | 25.4                  | 18.8                  |
| Trade & other receivables                            | 77.9                  | 62.3                  |
| Tax asset  | 1.1                   | 2.1                   |
| Cash & cash equivalents                              | 3.7                   | 24.5                  |
| Assets held for sale                                 | -                     | 6.8                   |
| Total current assets                                 | 108.1                 | 114.5                 |
| Total assets   | 174.7                 | 163.1                 |
| Current liabilities                                  | (81.8)                | (88.4)                |
| Retirement benefit obligation                        | (8.6)                 | (21.2)                |
| Other non-current liabilities                        | (18.7)                | (25.0)                |
| Total liabilities                                    | (109.1)               | (134.6)               |
| Net assets   | 65.6                  | 28.5                  |
| Total equity   | 65.6                  | 28.5                  |

| £m                                    | 2010   | 2011   |
|---------------------------------------|--------|--------|
| Cash and cash equivalents             | (2.4)  | 24.5   |
| Bank loans                            | (12.4) | (13.0) |
| Issued loan notes                     | (0.5)  | -      |
| Net funds                             | (15.3) | 11.5   |
| Deferred consideration                | (0.4)  | (0.2)  |
| Net funds less deferred consideration | (15.7) | 11.3   |

## Appendix 3

### Cash flow (12 months to 30 November)

| Operating cash flows – £m  | FY-2010 | FY-2011 |
|--|---------|---------|
| Profit/(loss) from operations  | 23.1    | (18.9)  |
| Amortisation   | 2.3     | 1.7     |
| Depreciation   | 7.4     | 7.1     |
| Share-based payments   | 1.5     | 1.1     |
| Other adjustments  | (7.5)   | 28.9    |
| Operating cash flows before movements in working capital               | 26.8    | 19.9    |
| Decrease/(increase) in inventories                                     | (4.5)   | 3.5     |
| Decrease/(increase) in receivables                                     | (1.2)   | 9.3     |
| Increase/(decrease) in payables  | (6.9)   | 6.8     |
| Cash generated by operations   | 14.2    | 39.5    |
| Non-operating cash flows – £m  |         |         |
| Defined benefit pension contribution in excess of current service cost | (1.7)   | (1.6)   |
| Tax paid   | (4.5)   | (1.7)   |
| Net capital expenditure less proceeds on disposal                      | (8.1)   | (5.2)   |
| Loan to joint venture  | -       | (1.9)   |
| Dividends paid   | (5.8)   | (6.1)   |
| Proceeds from sale of operations                                       | -       | 3.8     |
| Purchase of own shares   | (3.2)   | (0.2)   |
| Other  | (0.1)   | 0.3     |
| Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents                   | (9.2)   | 26.9    |

## Appendix 4 2011 Operating division structure

|                          | £m                           | 12 Months to<br>Sep 2010 | 14 Months to<br>Nov 2011 |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Learning<br>Technologies | Revenue                      | 273.9                    | 243.0                    |
|                          | Adjusted<br>Operating Profit | 10.4                     | 5.4                      |
|                          |                              |                          |                          |
| Education<br>Resources   | Revenue                      | 83.3                     | 83.9                     |
|                          | Adjusted<br>Operating Profit | 9.2                      | 3.0                      |
|                          |                              |                          |                          |
| Assessment & Data        | Revenue                      | 22.9                     | 23.9                     |
|                          | Adjusted<br>Operating Profit | 3.0                      | 1.6                      |

| 12 Months to<br>Nov 2010 | 12 Months to<br>Nov 2011 |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 271.8                    | 214.4                    |
| 9.7                      | 8.7                      |
|                          |                          |
| 81.6                     | 74.4                     |
| 8.8                      | 3.8                      |
|                          |                          |
| 22.7                     | 21.3                     |
| 2.9                      | 1.6                      |