PEARSON PLC Form 6-K January 05, 2006

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 January 2006

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 Director/PDMR Shareholding

Notification of transactions of directors, persons discharging managerial responsibility or connected persons

This form is intended for use by an issuer to make a RIS notification required by DR 3.14R(1).

- (1) An issuer making a notification in respect of a transaction relating to the shares or debentures of the issuer should complete boxes 1 to 16, 23 and 24.
- (2) An issuer making a notification in respect of a derivative relating the shares of the issuer should complete boxes 1 to 4, 6, 8, 13, 14, 16, 23 and 24.
- (3) An issuer making a notification in respect of options granted to a director/ person discharging managerial responsibilities should complete boxes 1 to 3 and
- (4) An issuer making a notification in respect of a financial instrument relating to the shares of the issuer (other than a debenture) should complete boxes 1 to 4, 6, 8, 9, 11, 13, 14, 16, 23 and 24.

Please complete all relevant boxes should in block capital letters.

1. Name of the issuer

PEARSON PLC

2. State whether the notification relates to (i) a transaction notified in accordance with DR3.1.4R(1)(a)

> (ii) DR3.1.4(R)(1)(b) a disclosure made in accordance with section324 (as extended by section 328) of the Companies Act 1985; or both (i) and (ii)

4. State whether notification relates

to a person connected with a

BOTH (i) AND (ii)

- 3. Name of person discharging managerial responsibilities/ director
 - person discharging managerial responsibilities/director named in 3and identify the connected person

MARJORIE SCARDINO

5. Indicate whether the notification 6 Description of shares (including is in respect of a holding of the class), debentures or derivatives person referred to in 3 or 4 above or in respect of a non-beneficial interest

N/A

or financial instruments relating to shares

HOLDING

AMERICAN DEPOSITORY RECEIPTS (ADRs)

- 7. Name of registered shareholder(s) and, if more than one, the number of shares held by each of them
- 8. State the nature of the transaction

MARJORIE SCARDINO

SIX-MONTHLY PURCHASE THROUGH U.S. EMPLOYEE STOCK PURCHASE PLAN

Number of shares, debentures or financial instruments relating to shares acquired

10. Percentage of issued class acquired (treasury shares of that class should not be taken into account when calculating percentage)

597

0.00007%

- 11. Number of shares, debentures or 12. Percentage of issued class

financial instruments relating to disposed (treasury shares of that class should not be taken into shares disposed N/A account when calculating percentage) N/A 13. Price per share or value of 14. Date and place of transaction transaction \$10.0470 5 JANUARY 2006 USA 15. Total holding following 16. Date issuer informed of notification and total percentage transaction holding following notification (any treasury shares should not be taken into account when calculating percentage) 184,674 0.02297% 5 JANUARY 2006 If a person discharging managerial responsibilities has been granted options by the issuer complete the following boxes 17. Date of grant 18. Period during which or date on which it can be exercised N/A N/A 19. Total amount paid (if any) for 20. Description of shares or debentures involved (class and number) grant of the option N/A N/A 21. Exercise price (if fixed at time 22. Total number of shares or of grant) or indication that price debentures over which options held is to be fixed at the time of following notification exercise N/A N/A 23. Any additional information 24. Name of contact and telephone number for queries: JENNIFER BURTON, ASSISTANT COMPANY SECRETARY, 020 7010 2256. N/A Name and signature of duly authorised officer of issuer responsible for making notification JENNIFER BURTON ASSISTANT COMPANY SECRETARY

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: January 05, 2006

Date of notification ____5 JANUARY 2006____

By: /s/ STEPHEN JONES

Stephen Jones Deputy Secretary