

From the Head: Miss OFS Lusk, B.Mus

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Dear Parents, Colleagues, Governors and Boys of Abingdon,

One of my aims during my time at Abingdon was to improve the facilities of this superb school, to complement the first class teaching and learning that goes on here, and to ensure that the School was fit for the very exciting future that lies ahead. The Yang Science Centre certainly accomplishes that, the Tilsley Park facilities are now very impressive and Greening Court, when it opens in September, will be a tremendous asset. I am now delighted to be able to share with you some very exciting news regarding the final phase of delivery of these prodigious improvements.

In September 2018, we plan to open a new Sixth Form Centre to provide the senior boys with a bright, modern environment for teaching and independent learning and to generate a space where boys will be able to relax and socialise. We will also be investing in a modernised library, or Centre for Independent Learning, which will be of enormous benefit to the whole school. The Art Department can look forward to a new, creative environment in which to flourish. The facilities will be known as Beech Court, and will be situated opposite the café next to Greening Court. The expansion of space will also allow many other departments, such as Drama and Music, to have much-improved facilities. In the same way that the Yang Science Centre has inspired the teaching and learning that goes on there and proved enormously popular with boys and staff, I am sure these facilities will be equally inspirational.

The architects have been appointed but the design is still to be finalised and planning consent remains to be secured, so there is a long way to go before the targeted opening in September 2018.

It has been an enormous pleasure and privilege for me personally to see our vision for the School become a reality in this way. Although I will not be here to oversee the project I look forward to returning for the opening.

Yours sincerely

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