



The Limes

Grand Opening

Friday 26 September 2014

From the Headmaster



I am delighted to welcome the Most Reverend Bernard Longley, Archbishop of Birmingham to officially open The Limes, our new state-of-the art learning wing. With its thirteen classrooms, two ICT suites, staff work bases, tutorial and study rooms, it is a stunning addition to the teaching accommodation at Princethorpe College which will enormously benefit the pupils in their studies. From our relatively modest beginnings in 1966, when the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart founded a small all-boys day and boarding school, Princethorpe has come a long way and The Limes reflects our success and progress over the years. But however wonderful this building is, it is only a building.

Princethorpe is renowned for providing a first-class education, which has its foundations in promoting the Christian values of kindness, tolerance, courtesy, love and friendship, which are underpinned by outstanding pastoral care. It is the personal qualities engrained in the DNA of Princethorpians which truly measure the success of a Princethorpe education.

Ed Hester

*Ours is a spirit of family
and a spirit of friendship
formed by kindness and understanding
by compromise and mutual forgiveness
by gentleness, humility and simplicity
by hospitality and a sense of humour.*

*Fr Jules Chevalier 1854 - founder of the
Missionaries of the Sacred Heart*

A few facts about The Limes...



- Gross area of building 1,950m²
- Thirteen classrooms each of 55 m²
- Two ICT suites each of 65 m²
- Language Laboratory
- Two tutorial rooms
- Three staff bases for Sport, English and Modern Foreign Languages
- Two staff offices
- 145 personal computers
- 330 lockers
- Staff and pupil toilets
- Hospitality kitchen
- Time capsule buried under the south entrance contributed by the College's History Society
- Solar collection for heating and hot water
- Energy saving lighting
- Intelligent air conditioning with heat pumping
- Construction time 14 months
- 32 lorry loads of ready-mixed pumped concrete for the foundations
- 35,000 breeze blocks for the internal walls and inner skin
- 65,000 bricks for the external facings
- Cost £4.5m
- Project manager, Quantity Surveyor and CDMC – Ainsleys London & Finedon
- Architect – AT Architects Leamington Spa
- Mechanical & Electrical Design – Gerald W Grey & Associates Wellingborough
- Structural Engineer – GHW Consulting Engineers Ltd Solihull
- Main contractor – GF Tomlinson Derby
- Local authority – Rugby District Council

The College thanks all of those who have been involved in the project.



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