

PUTNEY HIGH SCHOOL



WELCOME

Thank you for visiting our exhibition showing our proposals for the new Science, Music, Drama and Debating Centre at Putney High School. The display explains our proposals in detail and we are keen to hear your thoughts and views before finalising and submitting a planning application. We would also be grateful if you could complete a feedback form.

All the information from the exhibition, along with an online version of the feedback form, will be available at www.putneyhigh.gdst.net/586/future-plans from **Monday 21 May**.

Guide to the exhibition

Stage 1: An update on the Stage 1 improvement works approved by Wandsworth Borough Council in November 2017 allowing for the installation of temporary teaching facilities on the school site. Additional works include transforming and upgrading the whole Junior School playground and new landscaping. Works are scheduled to start this summer.

Stage 2: Detailed information on Stage 2 proposals for the proposed design layout for the new Science, Music, Drama and Debating Centre to replace the existing Senior School science block.

The Girls' Day School Trust

The Girls' Day School Trust is a registered charity and the UK's leading network of independent girls' schools, with 23 schools and two academies throughout England and Wales.

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Putney High School

Putney High School is one of the UK's leading schools, with a reputation for providing a rich and inspiring education for bright girls.



Broadway Malyan

Broadway Malyan is an award-winning global architects' practice dedicated to delivering high-quality design with expertise in delivering educational developments that work for the pupils' and staff they serve and are considerate to the character of the local area.

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Site boundary (red line) with Stage 2 works shaded



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ABOUT PUTNEY HIGH SCHOOL

About Putney High School

Putney High School is a pioneer and leader in educating girls. We have a history of 125 years in girls' education and have been part of the Putney community since the school opened its doors here in 1893.

We educate and encourage girls to take their place in the world as successful, enterprising young women. We have a commitment to creating the best educational environment possible and investing in both facilities and teaching to achieve this and ensure we continue the pioneering spirit of the school into the future.

Putney High School in the community

We are proud to be part of the vibrant community of Putney as well as the wider borough. We are an active school and have both initiated and joined a number of community-based programmes, ranging from volunteer work in local hospitals to reading programmes in local schools to supporting elderly residents and neighbours in our area, including:

Building partnerships

Working in partnership with the University of Roehampton, Putney High School students give mentoring support for children and encourage young gifted and talented pupils in local primary schools as part of the 'Cool to be Clever' project.

Sharing the experience

Inviting students from local junior and senior state schools to join us at a range of events such as our PIE2 celebration of wonder and curiosity, or our series of specialist author talks, helps us to share educational opportunities and build educational networks. Our sixth formers are currently helping with additional reading programmes at Ronald Ross Primary School.

Giving back

Fundraising to give back is an integral part of school life. Each year group votes to support a chosen charity and works to raise funds and awareness of the cause. Students recently raised over £6,000 for Regenerate-RISE, a Putney based charity set up to help isolated elderly people in the area. Girls also support by doing and regularly take part in tea parties, concerts and special events for RISE. Homestart Wandsworth, which provides help for local families experiencing difficulties, is another important charity supported by the girls.

Bursaries

We want to reach as many girls as possible and offer a wide range of bursaries for local children. One in five girls in the Senior School receives some financial assistance, either through bursaries or scholarships.



OVERVIEW OF PROGRESS TO DATE AND ENGAGEMENT

In June 2017 we presented proposals for Stage 1 of our improvement programme. These proposals were granted planning permission by Wandsworth Council in November 2017.

In summary, the permitted Stage 1 works will deliver:

- 1,389sqm of high-quality temporary teaching accommodation, primarily for Senior School science lessons to enable the construction of a new centre (proposals for which are being presented today);
- An increase in maximum pupil numbers from 976 to 1,060 to facilitate consistent four-form entry into the Senior School;
- Landscaping improvements across the school site, including an enhanced pedestrian entrance into the Junior School.

Following the previous consultation, we worked hard to respond to feedback from parents and neighbours including removing earlier plans for a drop-off zone, improving our Travel Plan and introducing further landscaping and playground improvements.

Temporary teaching accommodation

This high quality two-storey teaching accommodation will provide bright, specially designed labs which exceed the standards of the current science block. The temporary accommodation will also provide extra Design & Technology classrooms.

To minimise disruption for pupils, works will begin this summer with the classrooms ready for use by November 2018.

Responding to consultation feedback, the temporary accommodation will be in place for at least a term less than originally scheduled.

Junior School playground and landscaping

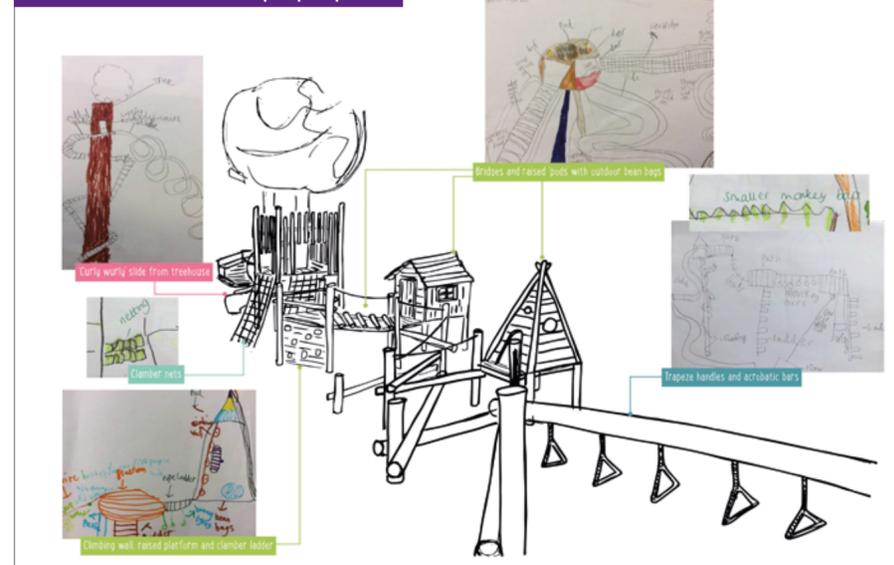
The Junior School playground will be transformed, creating areas for pupils to challenge themselves and enjoy different types of play, from imaginative to physical. Pupils have helped to design an environmentally-friendly, 'natural' space. We want girls to take risks and challenge themselves to be bold, unafraid of trying new things, as well as to develop their curiosity and love of learning.

Improvements include:

- Landscaping improvements to the existing Junior School pedestrian entrance off Lytton Grove;
- New planting and treatment to the boundary of the school.



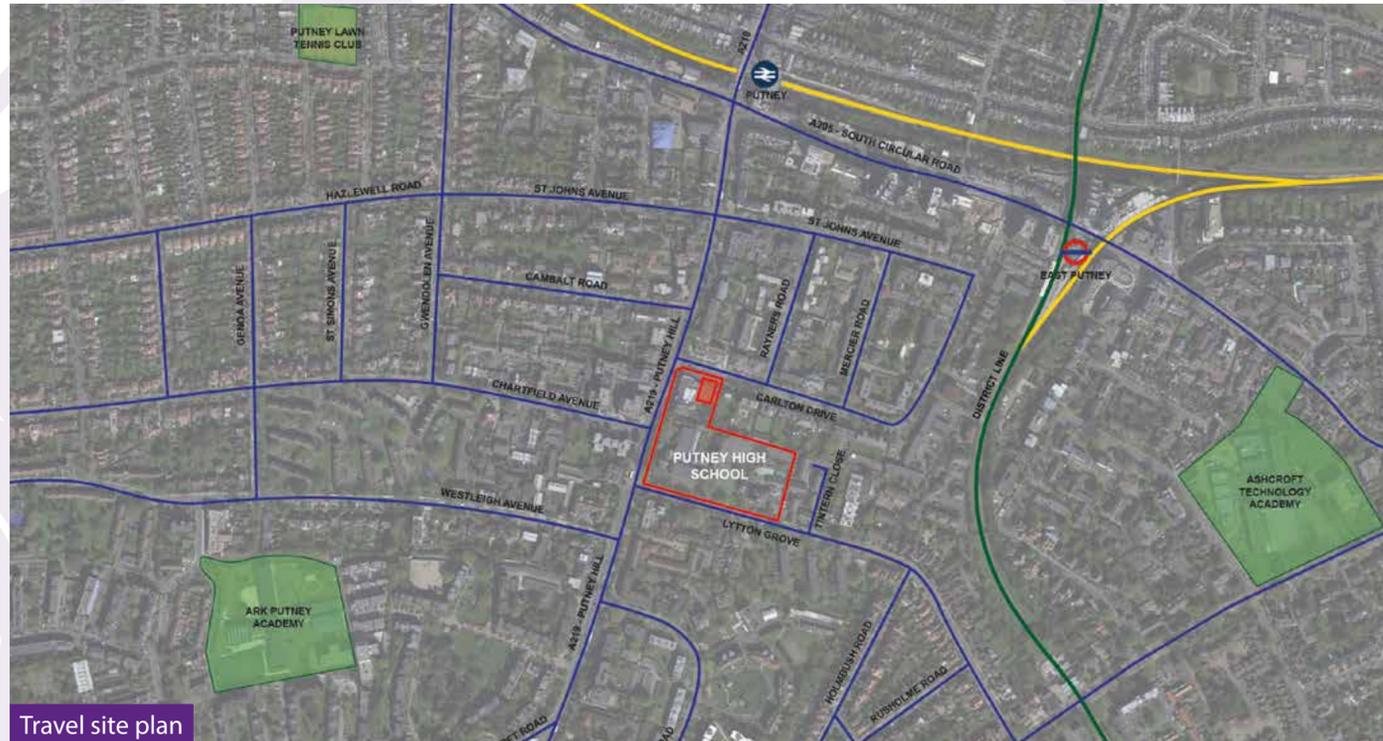
Junior School landscape proposal



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SCHOOL TRAVEL PLAN AND WORKING WITH THE COMMUNITY



Travel site plan

Travel Plan

We are committed to improving traffic management in the area and have undertaken a number of initiatives, including:

- Introducing a code of conduct agreement with parents and staff regarding travel to and from the school;
- Increasing staff presence monitoring the traffic and parking in Lytton Grove at drop-off and pick-up times and challenging inconsiderate behaviour;
- Purchase of barriers and cones for neighbours to use;
- Improving the spread of the Junior School's after school clubs to ensure they are not concentrated on any particular day of the week;

- Introduction of wraparound care (07:30-18:00) to reduce the number of journeys undertaken at peak times;
- Car-sharing database for staff and parents to allow a reduction in vehicle movements;
- Moving towards Silver and the Gold status in the TfL Sustainable Travel: Active Responsible and Safe Scheme (STARS) – currently at Bronze status.

The school welcomes your feedback on these measures. If you would like to report any instances of inconsiderate or dangerous parking, or would like to suggest ways in which we can further improve, please do not hesitate to contact us on our dedicated email address - neighbourhood@put.gdst.net.

Putney High School in the neighbourhood

Last autumn, we established a **Neighbourhood Working Group**, bringing together local residents, parents and councillors. These meetings take place quarterly and provide a forum to proactively engage on local issues and receive updates from the school.

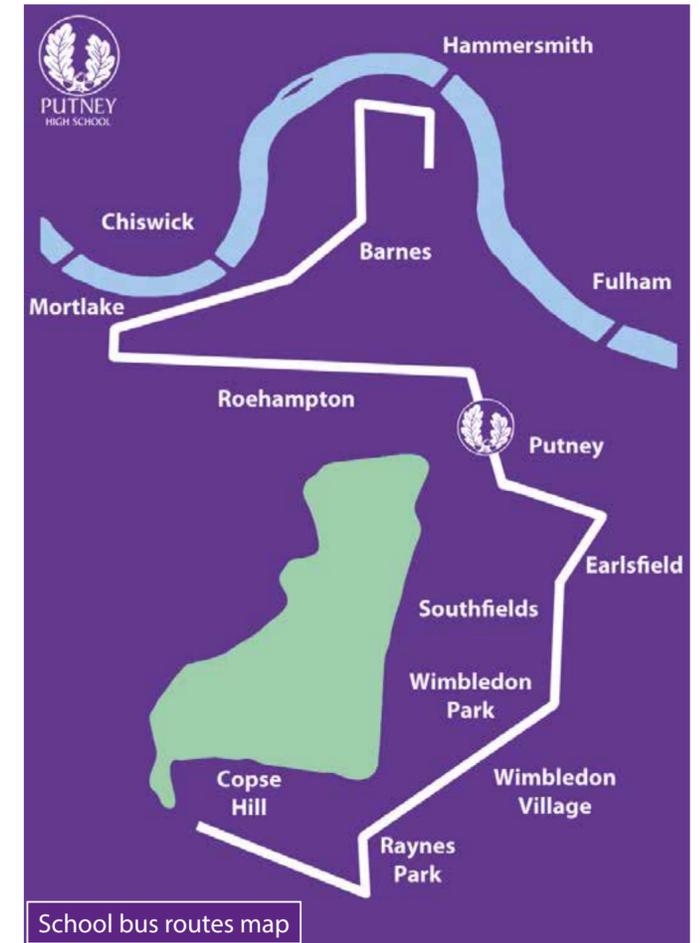
To attend these meetings, please do get in touch via email: consultation@cascadepr.co.uk or on 020 7871 3565.

School bus service

Introducing a new school bus service is a key element of our Travel Plan. Up to 76% of our students already walk or take public transport to school and we want to reduce the need for car journeys to school even further. We are currently testing two school bus routes serving the Wimbledon and Barnes areas and these will be fully operational at the start of the 2018/19 academic year. Take-up for the trial bus service this term has exceeded expectation and we will increase capacity for the full service when it is launched in September 2018.

Westway Coaches has been appointed as the bus operator. The welfare of our pupils' is paramount and all bus drivers are DBS (Disclosure and Barring Service) checked. Each bus is equipped with a tracker allowing parents and the school to track the bus on route using an app.

We plan to add new routes to the school bus service network in the future, giving priority to areas without direct public transport links to Putney and we would welcome any suggestions.



School bus routes map

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SITE OPPORTUNITIES AND CONSIDERATIONS: STAGE 2

Design approach

We hope to create a state-of-the-art Science, Music, Drama and Debating Centre. We have been working closely with staff and pupils' to develop the design.

The design team approached Stage 2 of our proposals by first examining the opportunities presented by the site.

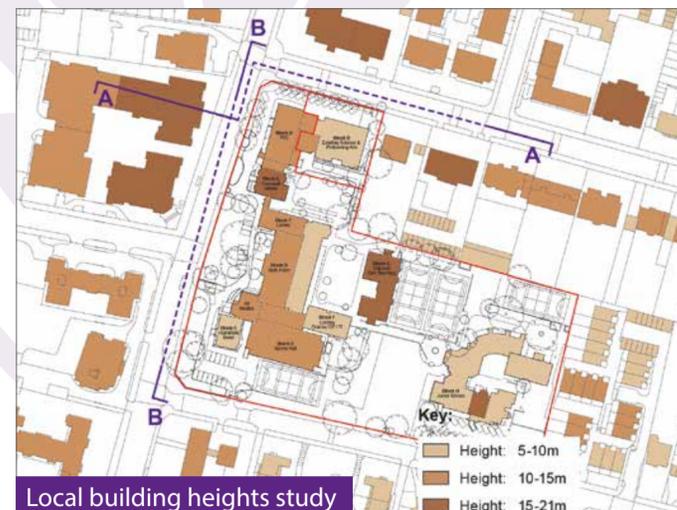
Opportunities:

- New modern and flexible teaching and learning spaces;
- Diversify and strengthen the existing curriculum;
- Improved links between Performing Arts Centre and new Music and Drama spaces;
- Provide improved access from Carlton Drive with a new ramp;
- Provide internal ramped access to cafeteria;

- Improved massing of the sites perimeter and materiality in line with neighbouring buildings;
- Use of high-quality architecture, improving on the existing building appearance to complement and enhance the surrounding area;
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- New and secure pedestrian entrance;
- Reduce energy.

Considerations:

- Neighbouring amenity;
- Massing and layout;
- Trees;
- Access;
- Sustainability;
- Construction management;
- Wider site security;
- Noise and air pollution;
- Building's operational noise.



Existing site section – Carlton Drive



Existing site section – Putney Hill



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OVERVIEW OF THE PROPOSALS: STAGE 2

Design

Our proposals involve the demolition of the existing science block and the erection of a new Science, Music, Drama and Debating centre plus landscaping in the area immediately surrounding it.

The new building has been carefully designed to respect the amenity and privacy of our closest neighbours, whilst seeking to make a positive contribution to the surrounding streetscape. Set over 4-storeys, the teaching accommodation is in keeping with surrounding buildings and architecture.

Layout

The new building will provide expanded teaching space without significantly increasing the existing built footprint. It will sit largely upon the footprint of the demolished existing building, maintaining the existing building line along Carlton Drive as well as allowing the building to form the principal security line for the school.

Access

Ensuring that our pupils are educated in a safe environment is our overriding objective. A reprovided site access through the existing boundary wall will improve and replace the current stepped access from Carlton Drive.

This larger gated access point, with new steps and ramped access to the new building entrance, will be used by Senior School pupils arriving and departing by bus at controlled periods of the day.

Sustainability

The building adopts a 'Be Lean, Be Clean, and Be Green' approach to environmental design and is using Building Research Establishment Environmental Assessment Method (BREEAM) to assess the sustainability of the scheme through which we are aiming to achieve an 'Excellent' rating.

Our strategy includes:

- Exposed thermal mass;
- Solar shading;
- Heat recovery.

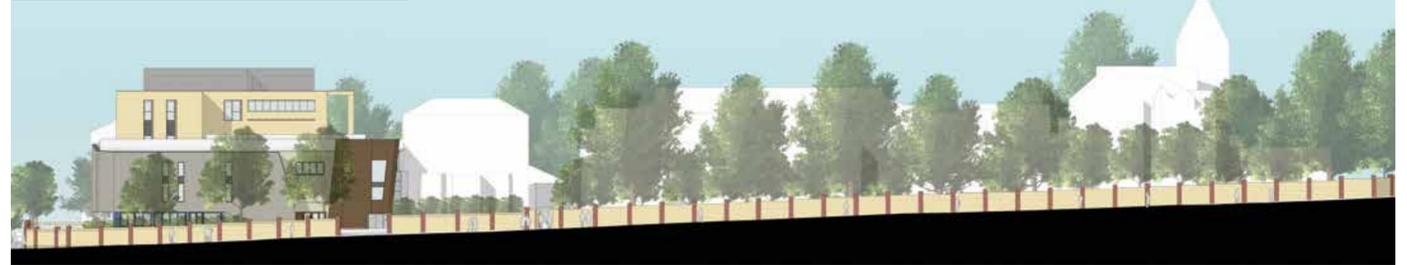


Site plan

Proposed site section – Carlton Drive



Proposed site section – Putney Hill



Artist's impression of the exterior of the building

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OVERVIEW OF THE PROPOSALS: STAGE 2

Materials

Referencing nearby residential properties and the school's existing buildings, the design uses a high quality London multi stock brick. The link between the new building and the existing Performing Arts Centre uses treated copper with further smaller details to strengthen visual continuity between the main buildings.

Sound

Acoustics are an important consideration for the creation of any new teaching space, both for users of the building and residents within close proximity.

We have worked closely with our acoustic engineers to assess the background noise levels of the site to ensure that noise generated by the use and operation of the new building does not impact upon our neighbours or our pupils' learning.

Mechanical plant will be installed at roof level contained behind a plant screen. All plant will be carefully selected and attenuated where required to reduce noise generation.



CGI view - Carlton Drive



Material palette



Site section north



Site section south

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TEACHING AND EDUCATION: STAGE 2

The new centre is an investment in the future, to ensure we can deliver the very best teaching and learning experience to pupils. The design team has worked closely with staff and pupils' to develop the internal design and layout of the proposed building.

Music

The music department is one of the largest in the school offering a wealth of opportunities across all abilities and age ranges.

Bringing the music facilities closer to the Performing Arts Centre, the new building will deliver:

- Acoustically engineered spaces providing exceptional room acoustics and privacy;
- Two large teaching spaces with flexible furniture and equipment;
- Smaller teaching and recital rooms;
- Recording Studio control room linking together all music performance spaces;
- Purposely designed practice rooms for small group rehearsals and one-to-one teaching;
- Space for instrument storage.



Example of Recording Studio space

Drama

The new drama department, located on the first floor, will offer teaching spaces linked by a large foyer space.

Features include:

- Purpose designed black box style drama studio for a more professional, 'fringe theatre' feel;
- A dedicated London Academy of Music and Drama (LAMDA) studio;
- Raked seating and flexible performance area;
- Specialist AV and lighting design, including optimal floor to ceiling height;
- Dedicated technical hub;
- Sprung flooring for movement-based work.

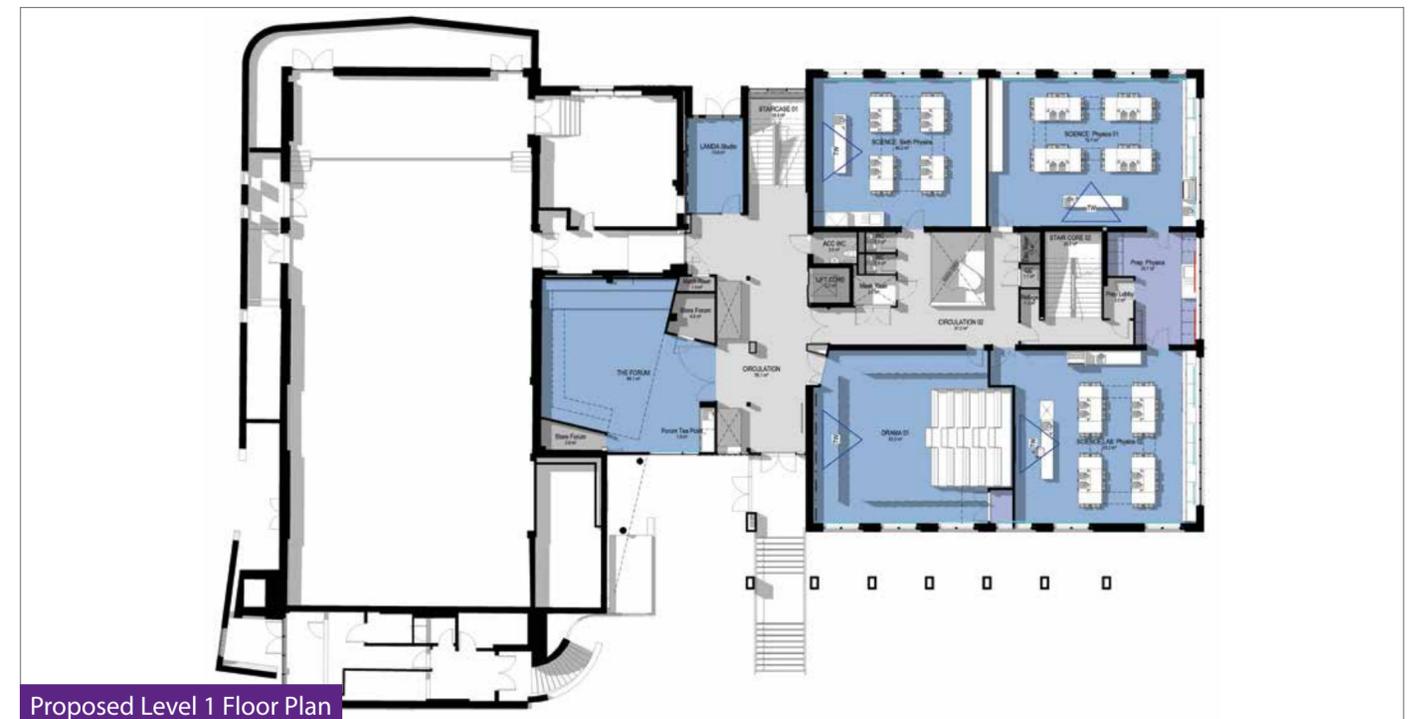
The delivery of new drama facilities means that the current green room can become a second drama teaching space to accommodate the growing numbers taking drama at GCSE and A-Level.

Debating

With intellectual agility and the ability to 'stand up and stand out' at the core of our ethos, the Forum has been designed to create a flexible space for performance and learning, to nurture and encourage debate and discussion.



Proposed Level 0 Floor Plan



Proposed Level 1 Floor Plan

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TEACHING AND EDUCATION: STAGE 2

Science

Science is already exceptionally strong at Putney High School. All of our girls study for iGCSEs in three separate sciences and many continue these subjects at A level. We have a rich tradition of supporting students to follow university courses and careers across STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) subjects.

Located on the first, second and third floors of the new centre, the Science Department will offer:

- Nine state-of-the-art science laboratories;
- Flexible spaces to suit a variety of teaching styles depending on age group and subject topic;
- Cutting edge equipment including mobile 360 ° glass, demonstration fume cupboards;
- Dedicated prep and Sixth-Form spaces;
- Bright naturally lit classrooms, purposely designed with acoustics in mind.

Cafeteria

The cafeteria will be refurbished to provide a new entrance, a new servery area and a refurbished kitchen. This will make it quicker and easier for pupils to enjoy their lunch.

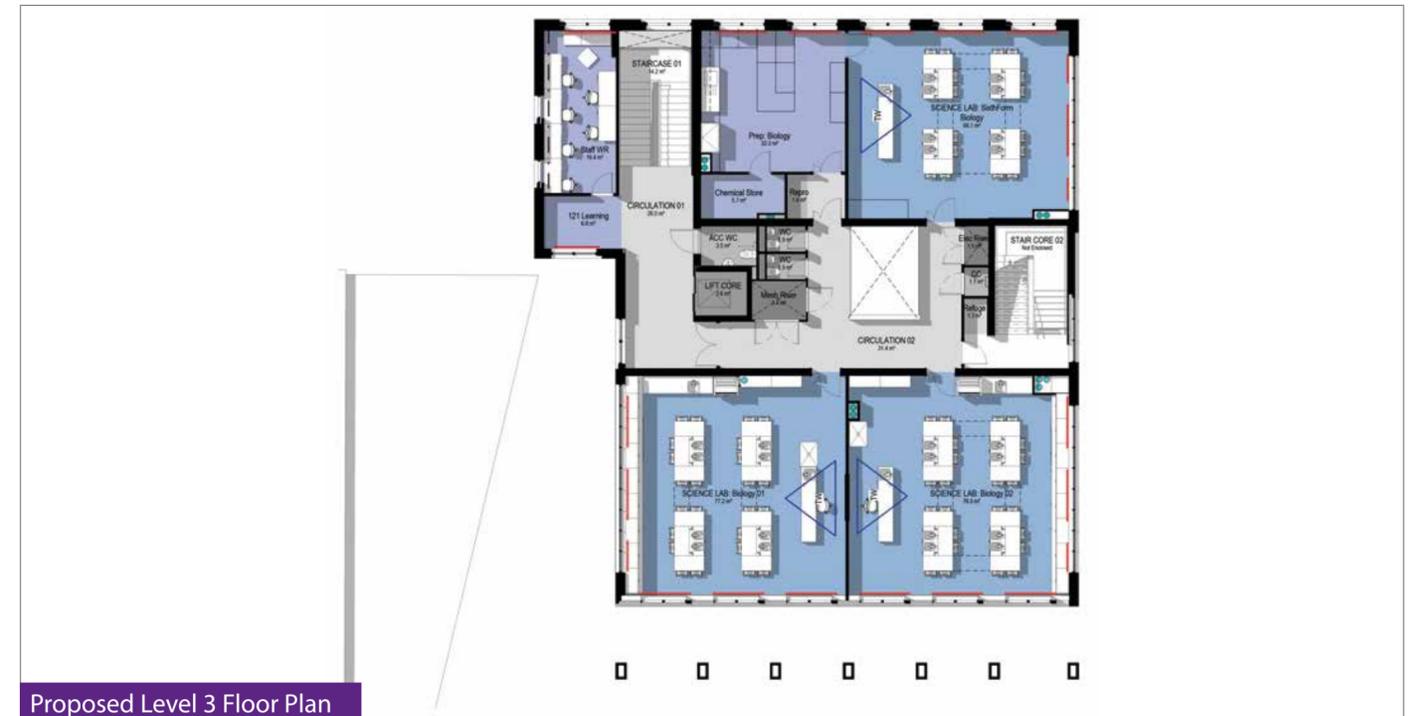
The cafeteria will be operational at all times, although a temporary entrance to the cafeteria may be used during some of the work.



Example of science laboratories space



Proposed Level 2 Floor Plan



Proposed Level 3 Floor Plan

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NEXT STEPS

Construction Management

Pupils' and consideration for our neighbours always come first and we will use our considerable experience of projects to ensure that the project is managed in a sensitive manner with minimal impact on our pupils and neighbours. More intensive works will be scheduled outside term time and all worked will be planned around the school calendar and examination dates. Measures will be implemented to reduce the impact of the works on pupils and neighbours, including:

- Real time monitoring of any noise, dust or disturbance from work;
- Implementation of a strict delivery management system;
- Regular update bulletins to parents and neighbours issued by the school and its contractors to keep all parties informed of the upcoming activities;
- Deployment of trained traffic marshals and strict site security;
- Encouraging contractors to use public transport where possible.

Thank you for visiting our exhibition.

Please complete a feedback form either now or online at www.putneyhigh.gdst.net/586/future-plans or take away a form to fill out at home and return by Freepost.

We are committed to engaging with the local community. If you would like to find out more about our proposals, please do not hesitate to get in contact.

Subject to the feedback received, we aim to submit a planning application for Stage 2 of our proposals to Wandsworth Council in late June.

STAGE 2 TIMELINE

June 2018

Planning application submission

February 2019

Work is expected to commence

Autumn 2018

Planning application determination

September 2020

Building ready for occupation



CGI view of the new teaching building

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