

## **TRANSCRIPT**

## A MESSAGE FROM THE HEADMASTER - AN UPDATE ON THE VISION JUNE 15 2021

- Hello again from Winchester. This is to update you on the school's <u>vision</u>, on the consultation about that vision and about its implementation in the wake of that consultation.
- As you know, the Warden announced his intention of having four consultation evenings for current parents. We've also had two such evenings for prospective parents. Over 30 dons have been involved in Working Groups looking at our various needs for the future and many of them have also been on visits to other schools. Most of all, as an overarching controlling mechanism, the Governing Body has its own Warden's Working Group which meets from time to time to receive accounts of progress.
- So much for the vision what about its implementation? Well there are two key dates; one is 2022 when we shall welcome day pupils into our sixth form, both boys and girls and; 2024, when we shall start boarding for girl pupils, again, only in the sixth form or sixth book as we call it.
- Every day pupil will be attached in 2022 to a boarding house but, in addition, the girls will have a girl's day house which they will be able to socialize and work in if they wish.
- In 2024 we hope to open the first boarding house for girls on Kingsgate Park. It's been very exciting to have initial applications from six architects we're now down to four of those and by the end of this month we're hoping that one of them will have been invited to go ahead with their plans.
- There is of course another exciting part of the vision and that is to do with bursaries, with partnerships and with innovation. We've appointed a Director of Innovation, Mr Jared Eisenberg he's actually resident most of the time in the United States, but in our digital world this doesn't really matter. We've also appointed a Head of Educational Partnerships she's Mrs Hannah Fletcher who brings much experience to bear in this role and is at the moment going around talking to different schools and different universities about what they do prior to getting to know our own area and how Winchester College can best function in partnership roles within it.
- Bursaries. The Governing Body has, as you know, made an extraordinary commitment to increase our bursary funding by 25% by the year 2024 and that should be able to transform what we're able to do for young people.
- All these are exciting developments to talk about but they're also developments that have to be worked out in fairly great detail. If you'd like to see the detail and indeed if you know anyone who would like to apply for a place, please do look at the sixth form landing page on our website which goes live today and should tell you all that you need to know.

Thank you