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Moving Forward

From the Headmistress

Mrs Emma McKendrick

It is our aim to ensure that Downe House moves forward and remains at the forefront of boarding education. Our girls are preparing for an increasingly demanding future and I, together with the Governors and staff, want them to have the very best preparation for life and the maximum range of opportunities, so that they can develop as rounded individuals and leave us ready to make a significant contribution to society.

It is also my hope and aspiration that Downe House should, as our Founder intended, continue to be a thriving community so that the girls benefit from strong parental involvement, the support of our alumnae and, of course, the highest calibre of staff.

We want our alumnae to benefit from supporting each other pastorally and professionally as well as having access to the School's ongoing support.

We also hope that our past parents will continue to lend their support.

Enhancing, expanding and developing our facilities in an ambitious but measured way makes up part of our plan, but ensuring we can recruit and retain the best staff is key too.

Key drivers of the Vision

- Continue to build a sense of community
- Continue to provide the highest quality academic education
- Continue to recruit, develop and retain the highest quality staff
- Continue to enhance our pastoral care
- Continue to improve the facilities for teaching and learning
- Continue to provide the best holistic education
- Continue to build and extend links with the wider world
- Extend the access to our unique educational and boarding experience through the provision of bursaries

Thank you for your support in building our future together.

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CENTRE FOR LEARNING



The current site



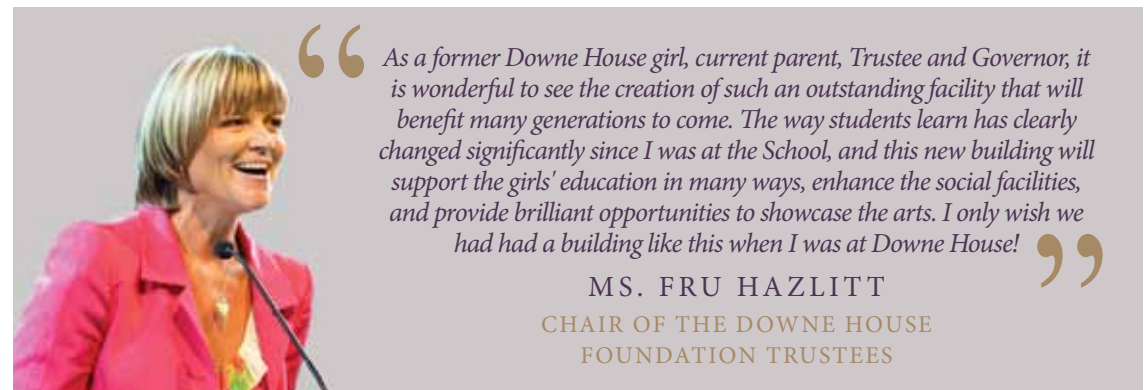
Our aim in the next three years is to create a £5.5 million Centre in the heart of Downe House for inspirational, innovative and imaginative learning.

WHAT'S INSIDE



The Centre will include:

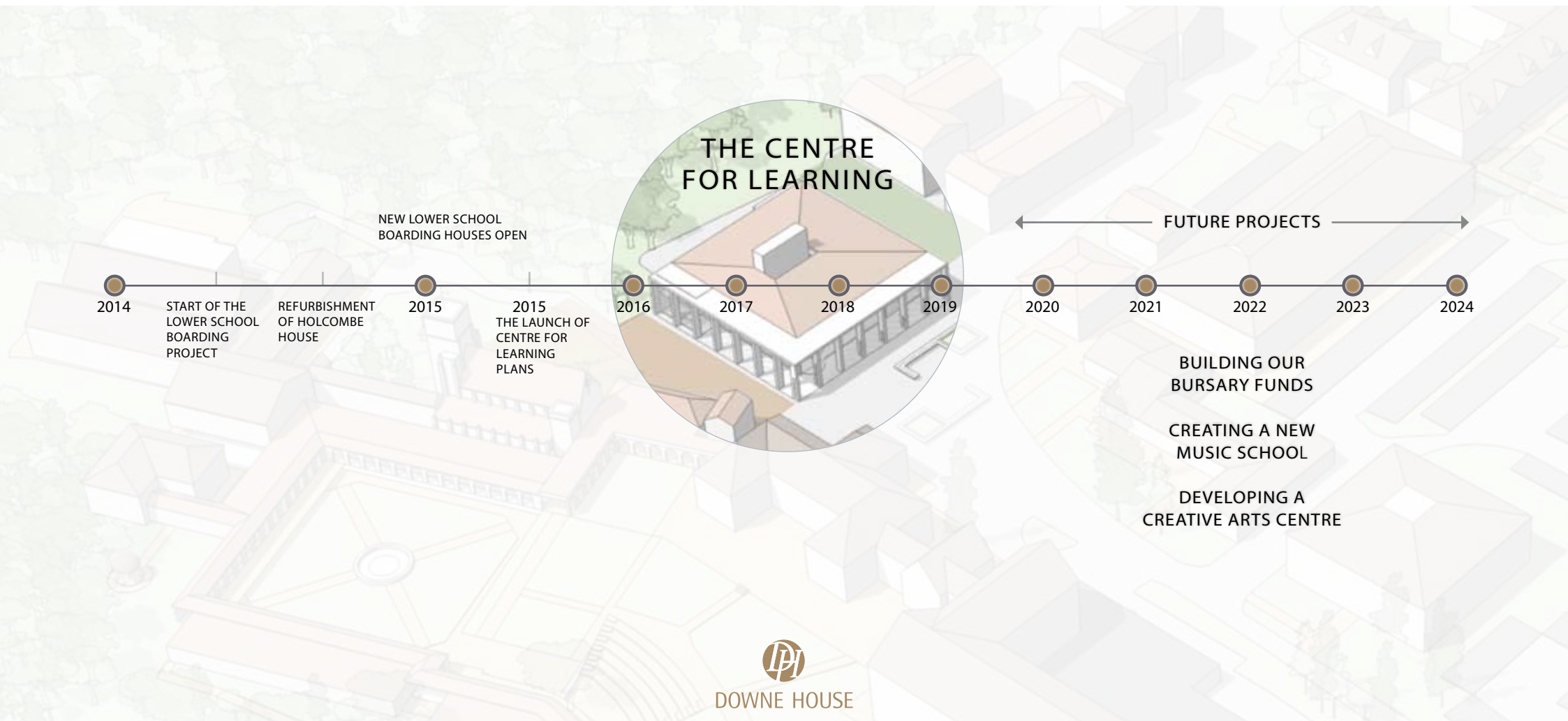
- An innovative, contemporary library and learning resource centre
- A state of the art auditorium to enable us to enhance our enrichment programme and provide an additional space for recitals, workshops, lectures, demonstrations and performances
- Teaching and learning pods
- Seminar spaces for debate, smaller group discussions and tutorials
- Gallery areas to showcase the Creative Arts
- A Learning Café to bring all members of our Community together for informal meetings, tutorials, discussions or just to provide a welcoming space to meet and relax
- Quiet and inviting individual study spaces
- The School Shop



“As a former Downe House girl, current parent, Trustee and Governor, it is wonderful to see the creation of such an outstanding facility that will benefit many generations to come. The way students learn has clearly changed significantly since I was at the School, and this new building will support the girls' education in many ways, enhance the social facilities, and provide brilliant opportunities to showcase the arts. I only wish we had had a building like this when I was at Downe House!”

MS. FRU HAZLITT
CHAIR OF THE DOWNE HOUSE
FOUNDATION TRUSTEES

PLANS AND PROJECTS ~ WATCH THEM GROW



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