



Raising money for your children's benefit

Good news

You may recall that this time last year the Friends agreed to fund the repair of the gymnasium, which had had to be closed due to safety concerns, enabling it to reopen after Christmas. Whilst the promise of funding from the Friends enabled work to commence immediately, the school proceeded to apply for a grant to cover the cost of this work and was successful. Therefore, in the end, the Friends only donated £5000 towards this project, which was used for the expensive sprung floor. This means that there is an additional £40,000 available for us to give towards other projects.

IT project update

In the summer we agreed to support an ongoing project to ensure that IT equipment was kept up to date. We have currently donated £35,000 towards this project. The money has been spent on PCs for 2 computer rooms, digital projectors, appropriate software and associated licences. We hope to continue to support this project in the long term.

Further donations

At the recent trustees' meeting the Friends agreed to donate £26,000 for site and security improvements including new fencing and making the back entrance safer for students, many of whom access the school this way.

Future plans

In addition to providing ongoing support for IT upgrades, the Friends have agreed to fund the refurbishment of the tennis courts to improve their condition and make them multipurpose courts, with appropriate marking for netball. The cost of this project is unknown so watch out for more details in the next newsletter. If you are not already a donor and would like to help us to fund this and other projects, please get in touch or complete a donations form, available from the school website.

How can I get in touch with the Friends of Ranelagh?

If you would like to get in touch with the trustees, then please contact us via the school office or by emailing fordonations@ranelagh.bracknell-forest.sch.uk. You can also contact us through the Friends of Ranelagh section on the school website where you will find an online enquiry form. You can find out more about the Friends by looking on the Charity Commission website www.charity-commission.gov.uk; our registered charity number is 1060543.

Thank you to all our generous donors. Together we continue to do fantastic things for the benefit of Ranelagh's students.