

Science & Innovation Centre

Donor Update March 2020

In last term's update I explained that our ambitious building programme to create a state-of-the-art Innovation Centre had been interrupted firstly by finding a colony of bats and next by the discovery of unexploded ordinance (UXO) (see image on right) beneath the old Kennet Building's foundations. The ammunition was given to CCF forces post the Second World War and it is believed the unwanted live ordnance was buried in the early 1950s. Experts were called in and its safe removal took place in January.



Since then progress on site has been rapid. The piling has taken place and the new foundations have been laid (see image on left). Two weeks ago the concrete ground floor slab was poured (see image below) – an important milestone in any building project. However, we now find ourselves up against the unforeseen global pandemic of Covid-19. Work on site has now been interrupted and there will be a delay on the project. We will update you next term on the revised schedule and there will also be some



updated visuals on the website after Easter www.marlboroughcollegefoundation.org/innovation

In the meantime, my hope is that the latest architect's impression of the completed site (see below) will inspire you to believe it will be worth the wait.



Thank you for your support and generosity towards what will be the most amazing facility, once it opens. It will transform our teaching, inspire a new generation of Marlburian innovators and support the local community.

Jan Perrins, March 2020