



## Building on Success – Phase 2

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### INTRODUCTION

There was great excitement around both the Junior and Senior Schools as we celebrated St. Michael's Day recently. Now, as we approach the mid-term break, we hope you and your sons have settled well into the new school term. No doubt, many of you have noticed the transformation of St. Michael's College Campus over the recent months as the development of our new facilities progress each day.

The Junior School boys have settled into their fabulous new building and the Senior School boys can see the daily transformation with the erection of the steel frame of their new STEM building. They look forward to the completion of this new facility in the New Year. For the updated report on the various stages of our development works, please read on for all the latest news.

### DEVELOPMENT NEWS & UPDATE

**Junior School Progress:** The first stage of the Junior School development was complete in August as planned and was ready for the boys upon their return from summer holidays. The new Junior School building, which includes our purpose-built Preschool, is a wonderful addition to St. Michael's College and the additional larger classrooms and learning spaces, as well as the roof play area and water fountains are benefitting all the children. The light and space created by the new facility have positively transformed the learning environment for all our students. Works on the next phase of the Junior School development are well under way. Demolition of the T-block is now complete and the steel frame is fully designed and in procurement. This development will provide a Multi-Purpose Area, which incorporates a Science Hub along with Music and Art spaces. The scheduled completion date of this next phase is September 2023.

**Senior School STEM Block:** Progress in the Senior School STEM Block is moving ahead as planned. The steel frame was erected in mid-September and is due for completion soon. The building works will move rapidly once the steel frame is in place. The STEM block completion is expected in late Spring 2023.

**Swimming Pool:** Detailed design of the structure and substructure is progressing well. The tender process is due to take place in the coming months with mobilisation expected to commence as early as Spring 2023. We hope to have more up to date plans on this for you when we host our Development Meetings again in November 2022.

This will be a great year for all in St. Michael's and we look forward to continuing our development campaign and keeping you updated as our plans progress over the coming months.





## CAMPAIGN UPDATE

To date we have raised almost €4 million of our targeted €6 million, thanks to the generosity of our current donor families. In order to realise our vision and to develop the new Swimming Pool, we are continuing to seek support from all families. Parents whose children were in the school last year and who have not already done so, are kindly reminded to please return the Letter of Intent as soon as possible. It is only with your help that we can raise the remaining one third of our fundraising target to progress our development projects to fruition as soon as possible.

## DEVELOPMENT MEETINGS

We look forward to meeting all our new families in November, after the mid-term break, and to sharing our vision with you for the future of St. Michael's College. We will host a number of development meetings for new Junior and Senior School parents, allowing us to outline the recent improvements and new facilities, which are planned for the next few years and to ask for your assistance. These meetings will provide you with the opportunity to ask any questions that you may have about the development works and how these plans will impact on your son's education. Invitations and details of the November Development Meetings will be sent to you shortly.



## THANK YOU

Finally, we would like to take this opportunity to thank all our current donor families for their continued and generous support of our *Building on Success*, Phase 2 Development Programme. Without their generosity, we would not have been able to progress the development as fast as we have.

As we get no state funding for any capital development, the necessary improvements to the campus are only possible through the generous and voluntary support of you, our community of parents, past pupils and friends. We look forward to working with you to help us achieve our ambitious and exciting plans for the benefit of all the students in St. Michael's College.

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Thank you again for your support and we look forward to keeping you updated as our development plans progress.