

The completion of the impressive new roof at **Mortimer St Mary's** was part of this years LCVAP Programme and was organised and managed by Diocesan surveyor Tim Alley.



Internal alterations were managed by Mike Smith, Diocesan Surveyor, at the **Blake Primary school** this summer. RMD Builders remodelled and increased the size of two Foundation classrooms and also refurbished toilets.



Stoke Row's old temporary classrooms have been replaced with a two classroom modular unit with cloakroom and toilets. The old classrooms were leaky, poorly lit and expensive to maintain. Ridge were the architects and Wernick built the unit in a contract period of ten weeks.



St Mary & St Giles Stony Stratford, Expansion. As part of the school's planned expansion by the Local Authority, this year's LCVAP programme has provided a much needed new secure school entrance and administration offices, the project was organised and managed by Dave Mitchell our Diocesan surveyor.

Premises Update

For all VA Schools

Autumn 2014

Welcome!

We hope you all had a good summer break and are refreshed for the start of a new school year. We will soon be inviting LCVAP bids, see page 3 for more details, and then check out the Oxford Diocesan website for the application form. To all our new headteachers - we hope to meet up with you soon to offer help and support for your school premises issues. Contacts for the Premises team are detailed below.

Premises Support

Our aim is to help all VA schools develop and maintain their accommodation, improve the learning environment and help raise standards of education. We assist schools with LCVAP grant funded projects and general building development projects. We are happy to offer asset management planning and can help arrange building condition surveys. Please have a look at our website for further details on how we can help and the Premises Handbook—www.oxford.anglican.org/schools/premises

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 Please give a copy of this update to your Premises Governor and your Bursar or see it on the Website at www.oxford.anglican.org/schools

New Schools

St Edburgs School will be on the move. This one form entry school is due to relocate on the Kings Mere new development in Bicester and will double in size to include a new nursery unit. Work is poised to start in the next few days and will be completed in a years time. The contractor is Willmott Dixon and Ridge has provided employers agent services The cost is nearly £7 million.

Also in construction by Edgar Taylor, is a new school in Bletchington, funded by the Duchy of Cornwall and costing around £3.7 million. The project will also benefit the local community who will share the hall with the school. The new school will be ready for Bletchington staff and pupils for September 2015.

St Edburgs CE Primary School

Existing site in Cemetery Road,
Bicester



ODST News

John Henry Newman capital bid

In January 2014 we submitted for the first time a capital bid to the Education Funding Agency. This was successful and £35,000 was allocated for maintenance repairs for the roof and hall heating. There are other bids in preparation and the Premises Team will be pleased to assist schools and liaise with consultants for the supporting information.

ODST Condition Surveys

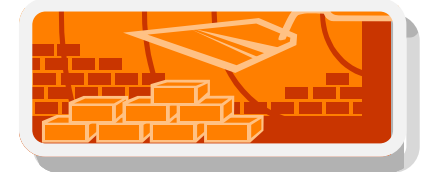
Surveys on the existing five schools in ODST are nearing completion and we will have discussions with Governors and staff on compiling a development plan with priorities and proposals to address the issues.

Property Condition Data Surveys

Over the summer and autumn the condition data survey reports are being released by the Education Funding Agency, we are now sending these out to schools. The condition surveys will help schools identify and prioritise building maintenance projects to be included in school premises development plans. Please let us know if we can help you with these.

LCVAP Programme

2014/15 Update



Premises Officers have been particularly busy this year managing the LCVAP programme (the full list of projects was in the May Bulletin). We are pleased that we helped to secure funding for a total of 37 projects which have been completed, or are nearing completion. This year the LCVAP programme spend on VA building and maintenance projects is £3.7 million. See the back page for some photos.



In addition to the usual programme, the Universal Free School Meals initiative—implemented at very short notice—put an extra £660,000 into the LCVAP pot and we have supported 56 schools with this grant funding to equip and improve kitchen or servery facilities.

Speen school servery was installed by a local builder from scratch on a budget of £20,000

LCVAP/DFC Invoicing

Some invoices have arrived here incorrectly addressed causing some delays in payments to contractors, so we would like to remind our schools that all invoices for capital projects must be addressed to The Governors ofschool, c/o Oxford Diocesan Board of Education, Diocesan Church House, North Hinksey, Oxford OX2 0NB



LCVAP 2015/16

LOOK OUT FOR - We are now inviting all VA schools to submit their new bids for proposed LCVAP projects. Download from the website - www.oxford.anglican.org/schools/premises and complete and return to us by the end of November. All projects will be scrutinised by the DBE Development Committee in January 2015 and prioritised before being submitted to Local Authorities. Basic Need and essential/urgent condition projects are given the highest priority and are more likely to be allocated LCVAP.