



## **Green Valley News April 2019**

### **Update on the International Baccalaureate and the Infrastructure & Building Plans in GVS**

In September 2019, Green Valley School will begin to teach the Year 10 class and will start the IGCSE programme in order to prepare the students for their IGCSE exams in May and June 2021 when they finish Year 11. Green Valley has also been authorised by the University of Cambridge to be an Exam Centre for the IGCSE.

Regarding the process to become an International Baccalaureate (IB) World School, our intention is that the first students who will sit the International Baccalaureate exams will be our Year 12 students who will start the IB programme in September 2021. They will then sit their final exams in June 2023. We are in the middle of the three year process to become an IB World School and we are waiting to be inspected by them at the end of 2019 or beginning of 2020. We are aiming to be an IB World School for June 2020. This would mean that we would be one year ahead of schedule, before we actually intended to start the programme.

Regarding the infrastructure and building plans here in GVS, we aim to have our library open by September 2019. As part of the preparation to become an IB World School, we need to ensure that the library is the 'heart' of the school where the books are organised, and the library is physically manned by a librarian. The remaining three classes on the first floor, opposite the History classroom will also be finished for September 2019. The sports facilities, such as the football pitch and an athletics track will be built during summer 2019, so that when we start in September, we have the sports facilities ready for the year.