

College updates two of its science labs



Elizabeth College has had two science labs upgraded as part of a four-year project. The work will see the laboratories' lives extended for another 50 years. The remaining six labs will be refurbished over the next four years.

TWO science laboratories at Elizabeth College have been updated as part of a four-year refurbishment programme.

Thanks to a recent grant from The Elizabeth College Foundation, the two laboratories have been modernised to extend their life for another 50 years.

The remaining six will be refurbished over the next four years, with work taking place during the summer holidays.

The school said the refurbishment has brought them up to modern standards

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while retaining their historic charm.

'When it came to selecting worktops, the specialist supplier could not offer a better and more suitable worktop than the original wooden work surfaces,' the school said.

'These have been stripped, re-polished and reinstalled, fit to survive another 50 years.'

Refurbishment of the eight laboratories



will cost around £200,000.

The college's laboratories in its Milnes building were first opened in 1959. Those in the Winchester followed six years later.

Both were funded by a grant received from the UK Industrial Fund for the Advancement of Science as well as the support of parents and Old Elizabethans.

The two labs in the Milnes building were finished during the summer.

The four-year-long refurbishment is the latest project funded by the Elizabeth Col-

lege Foundation 450th Anniversary Development Appeal.

The school said that thanks to the donations from numerous supporters of the foundation, including OEs, parents and others, it had generated enough money to supplement not only the new science laboratories but also the new maths block, the refectory and Colborne building and other much-needed projects, which would have been unachievable from fee income alone.