

Ringwood School Main Hall is replacing its tiered seating with a **BRAND NEW** automated seating solution. You can be part of this exciting project by **SPONSORING** one or more of the new chairs.

why is the new seating necessary?

They are **stylish, comfortable, hardwearing and safe**. The current chairs have reached the end of their life span.

They can be installed and packed away again at the press of a button – a busy school needs flexible seating options and the old seating takes up to 3 people up to **3 hours** to move which means that the hall is out of action when it could be in use for events, exams and other important occasions.

Each year, Ringwood School hosts approximately **40** different kinds of events where the school hall is needed.

We estimate that over **14,500** people visit the hall annually. That's a lot of bums on seats! There is a whole host of events which bring in members of the wider community as well as the students, parents and staff of the school. These include Ringwood Musical & Dramatic Society Shows, Careers Conventions, Brockenhurst College Adult Education events and Swish of the Curtain shows.



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Head of Music Lindsay Himmel says “We always know it is a special school event when the tiered seating is out! Performers rise to the occasion, and students watching performances feel they have enjoyed a real ‘theatre’ experience. It is also a privilege to sit on the tiered seating to enjoy performances by other groups who use the space, like an RMDS show. The tiered seating helps transform the school hall into a real theatre.”



Headteacher Chris Edwards says “This project will make a huge contribution to the community life of the school. The school hall is the public face of Ringwood School. It is the focal point for so many of our activities, enabling us to celebrate achievement in all aspects of school life. The space enables the creative and performing arts to showcase

their work to both the local and wider community. Many generations of Ringwood young people have been equipped with the skills required to be successful on stage and screen as a result of their experience at school. The hall is also the hub we use to communicate with our staff, students, parents and wider community, in addition to providing for the needs of adult learners and community groups outside of school hours.”



“The tiered seating is a crucial component that signifies that this is more than a school hall. This space becomes a theatre. Ringwood School performances are an important aspect of the culture of the town. They signify that the shows we produce are a little ‘more’ than just a school show. Our students believe that too. As soon as the tiered seating is assembled it immediately focuses their performances and increases their awareness of the audience. **Elise de Lancy Green Head of Drama**

how to sponsor a seat or make a donation

As a registered charity, the RSAF relies on the support of a great many individuals and organisations to help Ringwood Schools' music and drama department to flourish. **Our goal is to raise over £75,000 by Summer 2016.**

Please sponsor a seat by either adding your name to our Foundation Board or making a donation.

Your vital contribution will improve the experience of students and theatre goes for years to come. By sponsoring a seat, your name (or family name) will be engraved on our attractively designed Foundation Board in the Main Reception area at a cost of only £100. Alternatively, you can donate an amount that you can afford – and every penny will help and be appreciated.

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