

CHARACTER AREAS

The proposals sit across a series of spaces all of which offer a slightly different character and use. These add diversity to the masterplan and support the architectural proposals. The spaces are laid out on the diagram to the right and are as follows:

1. Arrival Courtyard

No works are planned as part of this planning application to the arrival courtyard but this space serves as an important area in the running of the school and serves as its point of entry.

2. Hardcourt Games Area

Similar to its current use this area seeks to maximise flexible hard standing (rubber crumb) to support external sports and activities supplementing the proposed indoor sports hall.

3. Adventure Playspace

This existing playspace which is proposed to be retained is given more prominence through the architectural proposals that front onto it. The mature Holm Oaks define the space and add much of its character something that will be reinforced.

4. Garden Space

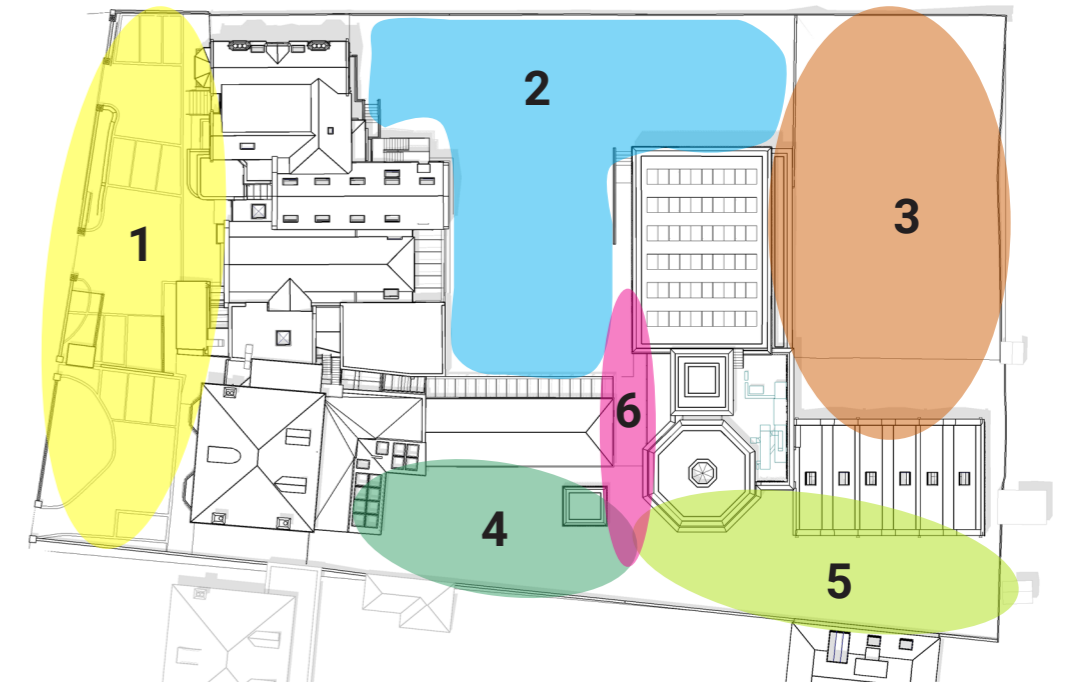
The existing Headmasters Garden is proposed to be remodelled slightly retaining and reinforcing the generous planting buffer to the south of the space while maximising biodiversity through the herbaceous planting.

5. Outdoor Learning Garden

This garden offers a significant opportunity to better both the setting of the school and learning opportunities for students. A range of environments are proposed transitioning from a woodland learning trail to the west of the space, through a proposed meadow orchard before arriving at a small informal outdoor learning amphitheatre in the south east corner.

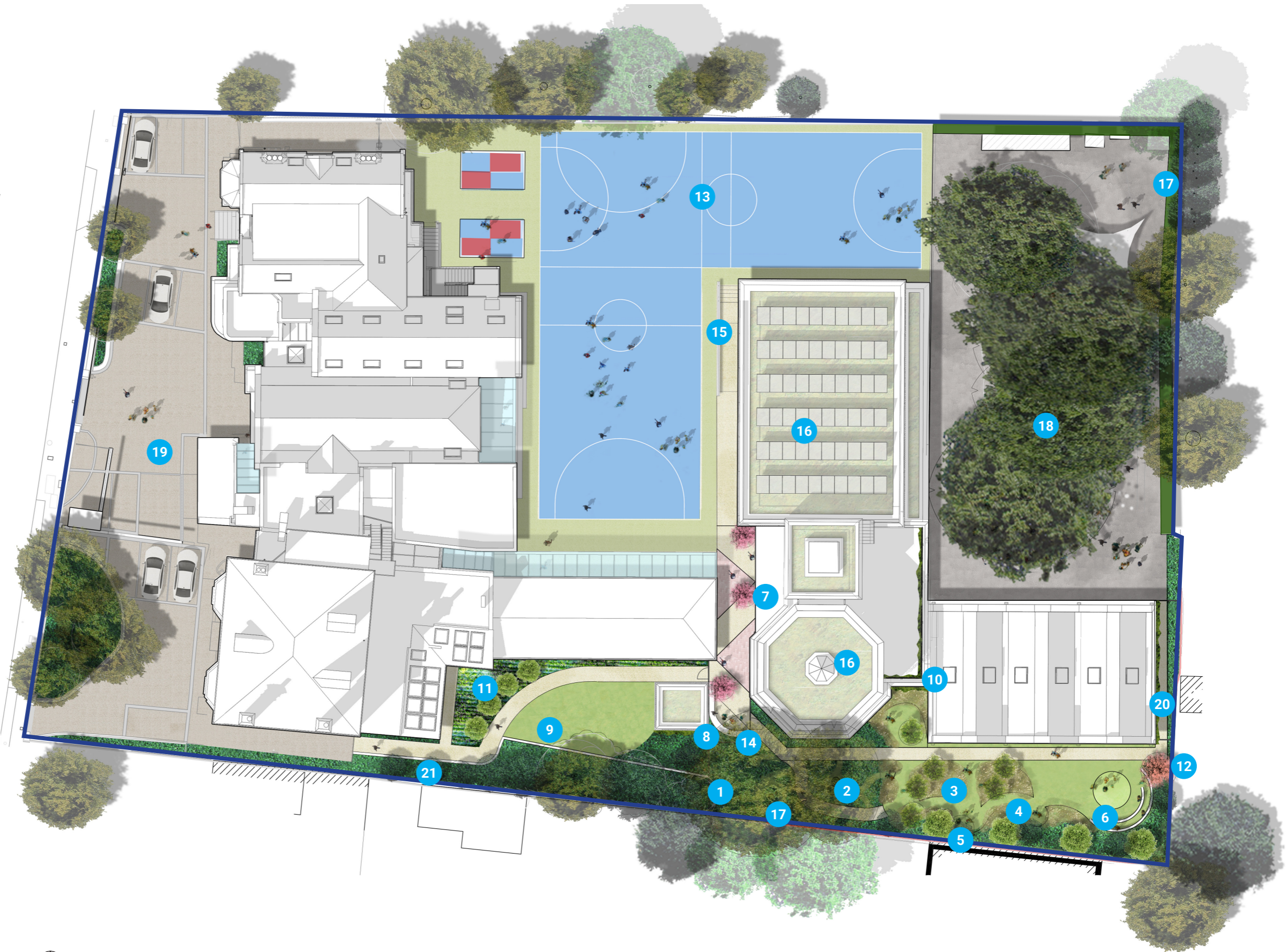
6. Cherry Walk

This is proposed to be a key transitional space in the heart of the masterplan. It has deliberately been given emphasis and it's own character through materiality and planting choices as it signifies the change between the more active north of the masterplan and the quieter, greener south. Shade tolerant Prunus Avium is proposed further strengthening biodiversity.



KEY

1. Existing boundary trees retained with additional planting
2. Woodland learning trail
3. Orchard tree planting & meadow grassland
4. Lawn pathways
5. Pocket learning & growing spaces
6. Outdoor learning amphitheatre with seating logs
7. Cherry tree planting
8. Timber bench
9. Flexible lawn space
10. Green wall with learning opportunities
11. Herbaceous planting bed with small feature trees
12. Feature tree & focal point
13. Flexible sports / games area with rubber crumb surface & pitch markings
14. Secure fencing with gated access
15. Steps & ramp access to gymhall
16. Proposed biodiverse roof
17. Boundary / buffer planting
18. Existing Holm Oaks & play area retained
19. Existing arrival courtyard
20. Gated maintenance access
21. Existing Holm Oaks to be removed to facilitate construction then reinstated following completion.



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