

Hello, I'm Declan, I'm a student at Abingdon and Witney College and today I'll be showing you around the **City of Oxford College**.

This is the furniture department where they make their own furniture. As you can plainly see someone has been working on a chair...chairs, sofas. And this is where they take photos of their awesome creations. This is one of the creations they've made, opening doors, drawers, the basics. It's good for storage and as you can see it also looks very beautiful. These are some more examples of work from the furniture students, we've got bench, seats, a very nice vanity table, a nice circular table, a very nice lamp, a very tall table, some coat hangers, those weird little door wedge things you find, locks, unbelievably big buttons, indeed ridiculously big buttons.

I've got the learning coach for this zone here with me. Now can I ask you to introduce yourself to everyone please.

"Hi everyone, I'm Hannah Barrett and I'm the Learning Coach in this Learning Zone for vocational studies.

Right, and could you explain to me what a Learning Zone is used for? So the Learning Zone is an environment for the students to come and perhaps do their own studies, or some work that's been set for them by their tutors. And here they can become independent learners and get support from me - the Learning Coach.

Is there anything else the can do in here – can they have their lunch in here or anything?

Well ideally, they don't eat or drink here in this room as there is a lot of technology...but they can come here and use the ipads, and computers and the laptops and we've got an Apple TV in here as well, there's lots of different resources here for the students.

I like it!

And they can always come here to get any help they need with their work from me as well.

This is the Foundation Studies corridor. As you can see there's a lot of displays, and for some reason they seem to be obsessed with garden gnomes! As well as displays of drawings, there are toilets. Obviously we need to have those as they're essential.

And a few comfy seats.

This is the Quiet Room and Multi-Faith Room. This is where people can come to chill out in a nice quiet space, or pray if they're religious.

This is a classroom/kitchen/chill out room where students can come to basically chill out, prep their lunch...they might come here for cooking lessons. Or just to chill and hang out with their friends. As you can see the kitchen area has all the essentials including a "touch-top" cooker. And

obviously they've got chairs and tables. And, of course, what every classroom needs – the teacher's computer.

Well, I'm in the library of the college right now. As you can see just from looking at this one little aisle there are a lot of books! There are also computers available for use, DVDs and I believe they also do audio books. This is the Aroma Café, this is where people come to eat their lunch. As you can see they've got a multitude of cakes, and they even have cold storage. And a hot plate...they also do Panini's.

This is the Art and Design block, where students do painting and stuff. There's a Ceramics Room, with examples of students' work and...whatever this machine is! Careful, low-hanging pieces of work may be in this zone! These are examples of some of the Art Department students' work. As you can see we've got a weird looking airplane, a tin-foil wrapped gun which obviously isn't a real gun because then I would be really scared and what I believe is called a dreamcatcher.

For those of you who have mobility difficulties and do Performing Arts – don't worry, there is a lift. For those of you who are doing Performing Arts and don't have mobility difficulties – you need a valid card, so you can't skip and have a ride on the lift.

Here is the music studio, where obviously music students go. And obviously this is a very good drum kit. And obviously they hold gigs here. This is the Music Department, where obviously you play music, drumming, piano...Personally the best I can do is play "Hot Cross Buns" on the piano! And they also, quite soon will hold gigs here. Now if you'll follow me...this is one of the Sound Studios, or "Pods". Each Pod, as it were, is soundproofed so any background noise won't get in and your noise won't get out. Don't worry, it's not oxygen-proofed so you're not gonna die!!!

Thank you for watching the tour, I'd like to thank Rob Beesley, Nicky Smith and Kate Brennan for helping me do the tour. I hope this has helped you make the right choice for your education.