



Chief executive of IAPS David Hanson (left) with Calvi House headteacher Jan Preece, Mayor Nigel Cooper, chairman of governor Giles Ashbee, Cllr Elizabeth Cooper and headteacher Phillip Ward.

Mayor calls in as school marks extension of prep department

A COBHAM school celebrated the extension of the boys' and girls' preparatory department.

Pupils at Feltonfleet welcomed the Mayor and Mayoress of Elmbridge, councillors Nigel and Elizabeth Cooper, as the ribbon was cut to Calvi House.

David Hanson, chairman of the IAPS (Independent Association of Prep Schools) performed the official opening ceremony, cheered on by a large crowd of enthusiastic

past and present pupils. Planning for the new extension and facilities — a large sports/dining hall, library and IT suite, as well as a new classroom, coupled with a major refurbishment of the department — began in 2004. The children moved in when they returned from the Christmas break.

Jan Preece, the headteacher of Calvi House, opened the school in 1994 and her vision of a dedicated facility for boys

and girls between the ages of three and seven being well prepared for the move on to the main school at Feltonfleet is now complete.

She said: "We all know that buildings aren't everything, but these fine new facilities do support us in our original aim and, given Calvi's big heart and fantastic teachers and pupils, together with the vibrant prep department that our children move on to, it is fair to say that Feltonfleet is flourishing."