**A SUMMARY OF THE BUILDING WORK CURRENTLY UNDERWAY!**

After many years of planning, the major Capital Works project is underway! The main administration building, four of the old “transportable” buildings and the red brick toilet block will be demolished and a new building erected. This building will include a new administration, Resource Centre, Computer Suite, four classrooms and new student toilets.

The school hall (near the car-park) has been refurbished to house the administration section of the school. The front office relocated in the hall for some time. This is where you will also access Julie Bramley for finance and the leadership team.

Once the new building is completed, the hall will be reinstated for OSHC (now based in the gym) and general school use. The next stage of the project will then be to demolish the remaining buildings, complete the landscaping and resurface the car-park.

When the initial application for this major work was submitted the school had ten classes. We will have sixteen classes by the end of 2013. Therefore alongside the major Capital Works programme has been the need to run another building project to bring new permanent relocatable buildings on site. The first of these, by the playground, is now occupied by two classes. The second, near the Early Years Unit, was completed late 2012 and a third will be built early in 2013. This third relocatable will face the one near the Unit, sharing the wide deck.

The disruption to the school for such major building work will be considerable, with the challenge for teachers to maintain the learning programme throughout this process. Movement around the school is now restricted by the building fences.

Parking, as always, will also be a challenge. The staff car-park must not be accessed by parents, even for a short period of time. If necessary please park in adjoining streets and walk the short distance to the school. Please be aware of signs restricting parking to avoid Council fines. A new gate on the north-eastern boundary of the oval gives greater access from this direction.

Close liaison with the builders will ensure as smooth a transition through this project as possible, making sure that movement around the school is safe for all. Due to the building work and the growing enrolments, however, some classes will be in less than ideal areas temporarily with some classes needing to move areas as each stage takes shape.

Please be supportive of staff as they work under these conditions and help out as requested. The long term outcomes for your children will certainly be worth the wait!

As always, if you need further information, please ask!

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