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Dear Parents

Building Work Update: Year 6 Classroom

The building work on the new classroom is reaching a critical stage. We are now ready to complete the joining of the roof sections and break through to the KS 2 corridor. This work is planned for half term and will include the forming of four roof lights to bring natural light to that part of the school.

It was always intended for the same to be done in the ceiling of the current Year 6 classroom. When the standard survey was completed in the summer, small amounts of asbestos debris were found left after a major removal programme 15 years ago. There has never been any risk to pupils or staff from this, however for work in the roof space to go ahead, regulations state that it must be removed. The asbestos removal will be completed professionally during half term, but will delay the other work in the Year 6 classroom.

The builders need access to the Year 6 classroom for two weeks after the half term break to form the roof lights and re-decorate. The classroom will be far better than it was before but will not be available for that time.

We plan to move Year 6 into the hall for the two weeks after half term. Tables, chairs and other necessary furniture will be set up at the far end. Mr Fonth will have use of the projector and screen. All other uses of the hall will be suspended apart from MOSAICS sessions and smaller groups eating lunch (for those having school meals). Packed lunches will be eaten in classrooms and collective worship times will be re-organised to take place in other locations.

Although obviously not ideal this situation has been forced on us and we will work hard to ensure that there is as little disturbance as possible to Year 6 and their learning for those ten days.

Thank you for your patience and understanding in this matter.

Yours sincerely

Mr P Barfoot
Headteacher