

School Site Update 8

Plans, developments and improvements

What's happening on site?

Great News!!

We are delighted to confirm that the main hall will soon be finished and that the works have made an amazing difference to how the hall, classrooms and surrounding areas can be used. Everything looks incredibly bright, airy and new and yet many of the original features can still be seen.

What does this mean?

In the Autumn term many of the traditional elements of school life can return:

- The servery next to the kitchen will reopen
- Our full menu can come back into play
- Lunches can return to the main hall
- Assemblies can also return to the main hall
- New display screens will be installed to help with assemblies and presentations
- Year 6 will relocate to the classrooms around the hall and will benefit from beautifully decorated rooms, lower ceilings, better acoustics, insulation and lighting
- Whole school events can return to the hall
- We will be able to host Christmas productions and our traditional Christmas Dinner

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What's planned?

We are currently planning the detailed next steps but the current outline plan is as follows:

- The library and current Year 3 classrooms will close over the Summer break
- Year 3 will begin the year in South Block and we will be relocating the library there too
- The mezzanine in Year 3 will support individual or group work
- Year 6 will relocate to East Hall
- Years 4 and 5 will use the current Portakabins and the 2 classes at the end of East Hall closest to the playground
- We will have 2 classrooms not accessible to pupils—these will be the 2 classrooms next to the Year 4 toilets—1 will become a staff room and other will house the reading intervention resources from the library
- During the Autumn term the roof on the Year 3 classrooms and library will be replaced, and then the 2 'spare' classrooms
- At Christmas we hope to move the works onto South block
- At this point Year 3 will relocate back to their usual rooms
- We hope that this phase of projects will end at Easter—we then hope to use the balance of the funding to reinstate and improve the external areas that are already suffering from building traffic

Finally, in the Autumn term we are likely to write our next bids—at the moment we are likely to focus on the toilets and enhancing fire safety around the school.