

Head Teacher - Sarah Griffith

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Friday 14th February 2025

Dear Families,

As you know we are currently having our outside area completely redone, which we are thrilled about. This is happening in two phases. The first phase being the new posts for a shelter and flooring throughout, which is rapidly progressing. The second phase will consist of some more permanent structures to support our children's learning including a climbing frame, stage, storytelling chair, sandpit etc. We have approval from our governors for this and now awaiting approval from Transform Trust to go ahead with this.

You may have noticed if you have walked up towards the main school gate or have seen the contractors coming in and out that we have had some work being started inside the building too. This is part of a big plan which we are so excited for. We have the amazing opportunity to refurbish our whole building to ensure we can offer the best quality provision for your children. This doesn't just involve a lick of paint; we will be reconfiguring all the walls/areas in the building to make sure we can make the best use possible of the space we have.

There will be four phases to this. Phase 1 of this plan has already commenced ensuring we have a new boiler house and phase 2 will begin after half-term. This will take place in the area our classroom is currently in, which means, over half term we will be moving out as we will no longer have access to this side of the building.

During this time our classroom will then be moved into the other space in our building that is currently not in use. Nothing will change for you as families, except for the way in which children are dropped off and collected. This must be slightly different due to our access points.

After half-term in the W/C 24th February the new way of entering our building will be the green gate to the right of the main entrance to the EYFS building (next to the outdoor shed). An adult will be waiting at the gate, and the children will walk down the path independently and into the classroom where more adults will be waiting.

As this path is very narrow, it would be very tricky for families to pick up directly from this door at the end of the day. Therefore, at their home time, we will bring children back to the same gate and dismiss from there. We have done this previously during COVID, so we know that this way is effective and safe.

I have already spoken to the children about our plans for after half-term and hope you are as excited as we are at the prospect of having what will feel like a completely new building when





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it is finished. We have been told to expect that Phase 2 should be finished before the end of the year, so your children will get to experience the 'new' classroom.

Any questions, please do ask.

Thank you,

Miss Hale
EYFS Lead

