

Tuesday 5th September 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you have had a restful and happy half term holiday and we are really looking forward to welcoming you and our children back to school tomorrow for the start of the new academic year.

When you join us tomorrow morning, you will notice that following the disappointing start and subsequent pause to the building works at school, a new company has been commissioned and work has started over the summer break. This means there is currently scaffolding installed at the back of the school and a container – with a welfare unit for the onsite team - in the playground.

The scope of the works commissioned by Hackney Education remains the same and will include building works on the facade of the school and improvement work on the playground and to the main roof above the hall. The purpose of these works is to ensure that our school continues to provide a safe and secure learning environment for our children.

As before, we want to assure you that our main priority during these works remains the safeguarding of our children, and we have taken all necessary measures to ensure their safety during this period of construction. We are in close contact with the construction team to ensure that disruption to our pupils and staff is kept to a minimum.

These works are scheduled to last for approximately 12 weeks with an expected completion date during November. Of course, we will keep you informed should this change.

You may be aware from media coverage that the government has asked some schools to close or partially close due to the presence of reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete (RAAC) in their school buildings. As a precautionary measure, a surveyor from Hackney Education's property team visited the school to conduct a survey on Monday. Following this inspection he has confirmed that RAAC is not present at Springfield. Of course, our thoughts are with the many other schools who have had to close or been adversely affected by this.

Should you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact the school via the admin email address.

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