

Parent Update

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School Expansion News

We are delighted to announce that work will start before half term on the long-awaited new teaching block for Upper Key Stage 2. This development will provide the school with a state of the art new building which has been specifically designed to suit the needs of our planned expansion to a full primary school. The new block, which has been designed in partnership with the Local Authority, will be located on the field in front of the current Plum Tree building.

We are now pleased to be able to share the following information regarding the build programme and arrangements during the construction period:

- The main contractor for the building work has now been named as Brooks and Woods. They are an Ipswich based company who can be contacted on 01473 719191 should you have any queries.
- The 20 week build programme will begin on Monday, 10th February 2020. The aim is for the new building to be completed by the end of June 2020. This will allow us time to ensure that we will be ready for our Year 4 and Year 5 pupils to be located in the new block when they return to school in September 2020.
- As the safety of the children at both the School and Plum Tree is paramount, during construction work, the building site will be fully enclosed by fencing to separate the work from the school and Plum Tree site. Facilities for Brooks & Woods employees and sub-contractors will be self-contained within their compound. Access to the school by all contractors will under usual the terms of our Visitor and Safeguarding Policies.
- Access to the construction site will be via a new entrance that the contractors will create in the car park in front of Plum Tree. Parking for staff will be temporarily reduced to allow construction traffic access. We would respectfully remind parents not to use the car park on the Plum Tree side of the site at any time.
- Deliveries to site will only take place during times specifically agreed to avoid school drop off and pick up.
- Building work has been carefully scheduled so that there will be limited impact on the day to day running of the school.

We are extremely excited to be starting work on this eagerly awaited build. Rest assured, you will be kept fully up to date with the project and any implications during the build phase. In the meantime if you have any queries or questions please do contact the school office.



