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BUILD UPDATE Sept 2017

New Building

This bulletin aims to keep all interested parties of the latest updates that have been provided to us from Lidl regarding the new school site at Ryde House. The Trust, along with the ESFA have been in regular correspondence with Lidl over the summer holidays to get the latest information and we are pleased to be able to give you another update, with progress continuing behind the scenes.

You will be aware that demolition at the site was planned for this July, however this has unfortunately fallen back due to the time it is taking for the planning conditions to be agreed. We are pleased to say that these have been agreed and we are waiting for the formal sign off from the local planning authority. All this needed to be agreed and in place before demolition can start and it has been a complicated process. Lidl are now in a position to move ahead swiftly with the next stages of conditions. .

Following the finalising of the pre demolition conditions, the next stage of the process will be the start of demolition, which we expect to commence from November 2017, taking around 10 weeks. The demolition should therefore be finished around the beginning of February 2018, taking into account Christmas. With a clear site, and approval of the pre-commencement conditions, building work can then begin in the spring

Progress is being made and Lidl have been very helpful in keeping us updated on the progress of their negotiations and we expect these will be approved shortly. We can then start to see the building works begin!



September 2018 Arrangements

With the delay in the commencement of the demolition it has become readily apparent that the new school will not be ready for September 2018 and the move into the new school has been delayed by a year. As a result of this, the ESFA are looking at some further temporary accommodation to accommodate the new intake in September 2018 and whilst negotiations have yet to be concluded, they are at an advanced stage. The proposal is for two further mobile classrooms near to the current school buildings together with toilets. We will be able to provide further details once the negotiations have concluded.



New classroom in dance studio

Lastly, we are very pleased that the work at our temporary site has been completed over the summer holidays, ready in time for the new school year. The old dance studio has been transformed into a fabulous classroom for year 2 and also provides a new space for mealtimes. This has freed up room in the original portakabin for our growing school.