



## BUILD UPDATE MARCH 2020

Despite recent weeks' visits from storms Chiara and Dennis our beautiful new school continues to progress at pace. This is down to two key factors – the roof membrane is now on (**see photo below**) , meaning that the building is watertight and this in turn means that work can now progress in spaces that are beginning to actually look like the classrooms on the plans!



### Key Points of Progress

The resources of the on-site team, led by Kier's Ian Sheppard have been strengthened with the arrival of Commercial Manager, Clive Pople. Clive's role will be to use his commercial experience to support the project delivery team and add rigour to Kier's control of the project's supply chain during the final furlongs of the project.



Last week saw a key collaborative workshop involving suppliers and site operatives as the build team met to challenge themselves to look for opportunities to further de-risk and improve the programme.



In addition to commencing fit out of the classroom and other school spaces, the next two weeks will see the lift installed, the windows have now been delivered to site and will be going in early March. Next week will also see the LIDL store-front being installed which will alter what passers-by can see from the road and signal to the world outside that the completed building is now fast becoming a reality.

### Facilities Management and 'soft landings'

In anticipation of taking handover a BPET facilities management company has visited the site and met with Kier's Murtagh Varley. Early engagement in this important area is a key way to be certain that there will be a smooth transition when the building is 'handed over' and that the operation of the building is carried out in line with what is needed to ensure its proper maintenance from day one and in doing so its longevity.

Our fabulous new school continues to be on track for July and it is great to see work progressing on actively fitting out our school spaces.