

Spring Vale Primary School

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Headteacher: Mr C Blunt



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Dear Parents

As you will be aware, work is well underway on the creation of our new school accommodation. While the building work has been underway, we have worked very closely with the council and the contractors in order to try and keep any disruption to an absolute minimum.

We are pleased to report that we will shortly be reaching a crucial milestone, the point where we will be able to move Nursery, Reception and Years 1 and 2 into the new building. We expect that the children will be in their new classrooms following the Whitsun half-term holidays on Monday 3 June.

However, to enable this to happen, we need to move a huge amount of equipment, furniture and resources from the existing accommodation to the new building. The contractors need access to the front of school for the start of May half-term so that they can complete the refurbishment work, and the move must therefore take place beforehand.

As a result, we are writing to inform you that it will unfortunately be necessary for the school to be closed to ALL pupils on Thursday 23rd and Friday 24th May.

This will give us a small window of opportunity to complete the move, and on these days staff from across the school and the council, together with the contractors, will be moving:

- Mr Blunt's office
- Staffroom
- Photocopier room
- Main office
- Mrs Wynne's office
- Medical supplies room
- Year 2, 1, Willow, Beech and Nursery classes
- Stock cupboards
- Cleaning cupboards
- Entrance furniture
- Toilets (staff and children)

As you can imagine, this is a massive undertaking and these two days will allow us to pack away all of these rooms, move the resources, unpack them in the new block and review health and safety procedures ready for children in Nursery, both Reception classes, and Years 1 and 2 to go straight into their new classrooms after the half-term holidays.

As we are sure you know, the Governing Body, Headteacher and Council are very reluctant to close our school under any circumstances. We have tried our very best to find a way around this, but unfortunately the closure is both essential and unavoidable. In addition, it is necessary to close the school to all pupils, not just those from the years which will be moving, because we need all staff from across the school to help out.

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We understand that this may be a great inconvenience to you, but we wanted to write to you as soon as we could to give you as much notice as possible in order that you can start to make alternative childcare arrangements for Thursday 23rd and Friday 24th May.

We would also like to assure you that the expansion work is on track to be completed this summer, and that no further closures are anticipated.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely



Mr C Blunt
Headteacher



Mr M West
Chair of Governors