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Dear Parent/ Carer,

Ongoing Works at St Kentigern's Academy

I hope that this letter finds you well. Please see below the latest building update about the ongoing works to upgrade our school:

- **GREAT PROGRESS BEING MADE WITH NEW WING** - please see images of the construction of the new wing which illustrates that the steel frame, concrete floors and stairways are now in place marking a significant milestone for the project. The new wing will feature a new reception area, a spacious canteen and dining area, a four court Games Hall, Dance Studio, Fitness Suite and a changing village. Additional facilities will include a performance area, a range of collaborative learning spaces, a café and nurture rooms, designed to enhance the learning environment for all youngsters who attend the school. Please see the latest drone footage by clicking the link below: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Lj79sIXXjWTd71YhfaQ_5QKkv5nFFlbq/view?usp=sharing



- **PUPIL VOICE GROUP** - The next site visit for members of the Pupil Voice group will take place on 12th June. Pupils will update the school community via Teams and the Daily Bulletin following their visit to ensure everyone is kept up-to-date with progress.
- **MAIN ENTRANCE** - there were some further works carried out recently at the main entrance to the school. This provides additional security whilst enabling pupils to move around the school building safely. Please remember to follow all signs and enter via the main entrance if you are visiting the school.
- **ON SITE WORK EXPERIENCE OPPORTUNITIES** - there will be numerous on-site work experience opportunities with Heron Bros starting from end May. This will include opportunities for those interested in the trades as well as those keen to pursue a career in quantity surveying, civil engineering, project management and architecture.
- **NEW MUSIC DEPARTMENT** – work to create the new Music Department in the main school building is underway. The new Music Department will consist of music classrooms, practise rooms and a recording studio.
- **SQA EXAMS** - as with last year, all large cohort SQA exams are being held at the Blackburn Partnership Centre. All small cohort exams are underway in the PE space in the Portakabins. Pupils with additional assessment requirements will sit their assessments in the School building. We are working very closely with contractors to ensure there are no noise disturbances during the exams.
- **BRIDGE OVER THE RIVER** - The Roads team inspected the bridge before the Easter holidays and have closed it for maintenance. Safe pedestrian routes to the school remain unaffected. We are working closely with the Roads Team to ensure the repairs are completed promptly and I will update you as soon as more detail is available.

If you have any questions, comments, or suggestions regarding the building work or its impact on the school, please feel free to email Sally Cameron at sally.cameron@westlothian.org.uk

Yours Sincerely



Sally Cameron
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