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Dear Parent/ Carer

Re: Building Works at St Kentigern's Academy

We hope this letter finds you well. Please see below the latest update regarding the ongoing building works:

- **Building Programme** - work is progressing well and is on track. We are working closely with our contractors to ensure that we are up-to-date with progress and that steps are taken to enable high quality learning and teaching to continue.
- **Main Entrance** – hoarding has gone up around the perimeter of the area of the school that is to be demolished. The new main entrance is at the bottom of the main car park. **When dropping young people off, please drop them off at the bottom of the car park and not on the main road.**
- **PE and Dance** – we are working closely with other schools and community organisations to ensure we continue to provide a full PE and Dance curriculum. *The majority of our National and Higher PE students have now completed their one-off performances and our practical SQA Dance exams are taking place at Winchburgh Academy on 28th March (N5) and 18th April (Higher).*
- **Parking** – as parking is restricted at present, please ensure you park safely and legally and, to ensure student safety, we ask that you do not park in the bus bays/minibus drop off area when visiting the school.
- **Courtyard** - the courtyard is open and is being well used by students. This provides additional outdoor social space for our youngsters to use during break and lunch times. We are exploring how we can further develop this space and if you have any suggestions, please let me know.



- **Collaboration Opportunities** - we have arranged for two of our S6 students to gain valuable work experience with BDP Architects. This is an exciting opportunity for our students to work alongside the architects who are designing the new wing of our school. We are also working with Heron, our main contractors, to explore further work experience opportunities for our youngsters.
- **Stakeholder Engagement** – an initial engagement meeting has been held with PE staff regarding the design of the new PE facilities. A further SLT engagement meeting will be held before the end of term and we are developing plans for further stakeholder engagement with staff, students and parents/carers.
- **Easter School** - during the Easter holidays, the main car park will be closed due to ongoing works. If students are attending Easter classes, please use the bus park for drop offs.

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
Quality Improvement Officer