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Dear Parents and Carers

As many of you may be aware, Stillness School was badly damaged by a fire in August 2010. Prior to the fire the school kitchens were at the far end of the annexe hall and children ate lunch in the sports hall. The current kitchen and dining pod in the Junior playground was installed in the aftermath of the fire in order to quickly restore catering facilities to the school.

Over the past few years the Schools have been in ongoing discussions with Lewisham Local Authority about our ability to maintain the current kitchen and dining pod. The Local Authority has however now informed us that the – temporary – kitchen and dining pod needs to be taken down.

Having considered the available alternatives, and taking particular account of the wider advantages each could bring, we have decided to have the kitchen and dining facilities for the children of both Schools reinstated into the main annexe building / sports hall. Not only is it the most functional option, but it helps bring the schools closer together. We also believe it is one of the ways we can help the children become more familiar with the Junior's premises ahead of their Year 3 transition, which is also something that has been requested by parents.

This will obviously be an extensive project, and is scheduled to start August / September 2018. As you know, building works rarely run exactly to plan, so it is possible that the work could start slightly later and go on for longer. Our priority, of course, will be to keep the school running smoothly and safely throughout the project and we have the full support of the Local Authority on this. We will share updates as we receive them, and if you have any specific questions about the project please do share them. Once finalised, we will also make the project plans available so that parents, carers and children can see what the refurbished building – including an extended library - will look like.

For now, we wanted to make you aware that the works could have an impact on the provision of breakfast and after school clubs in the Junior School. All Junior School clubs such as Spanish, French, fit, baking, clay, dance, knitting, Robo and gymnastics will continue, as they can be housed in the main building and Y6 block. We are currently consulting on options for the main breakfast and after-school clubs, given that the dining pod where they are currently run may not be available outside of lunchtime.

We will have greater clarity on what we will be able to offer on the school site, and we will write to you again with further details on **Friday, 29 June 2018.**

We are sharing this now so that you have enough time should you wish to think about making alternative arrangements for the start of the autumn term. We appreciate that many of you may have paid for clubs in advance and where necessary monies will of course be refunded to you.

Yours sincerely

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