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Dear Parents and carers,

It is with a very heavy heart that I am writing to you all to inform you that unfortunately we will not be in a position to open on Thursday 2nd September to children. This decision has been made in consultation with the governors and contractors.

Despite my very best efforts we simply face an impossible task. The project has faced numerous issues with supplies being promised and then not delivered. The site has also been affected by covid when one of the painters contracted covid and the workers had to self-isolate resulting in 5 lost days. I have been opening up the building every weekend and will be over the whole of this bank holiday, but I feel following our site meeting that even despite this there is just not enough hours in the days to complete the work to be ready to open safely to children on the 2nd September.

As you can see from the photographs taken this morning these two areas are the girls' toilets on the right and the lobby area outside the Nursery classroom.



To add to the situation our fire system is currently not fully operational and today I was notified that it is unlikely to be completed either on Tuesday or Wednesday. Without a fully working system it is unsafe to open.

Another underlying issue we have is that obviously all of the temporary accommodation has been removed from site and the contents is currently stored in other class spaces. The storage company have returned the items in storage and all of this equipment has to be washed before children can use it having been stored for over a year.

See below the current position of the hall and also on the right a photograph of the Year 5 classroom which is typical of all other rooms in the school.



We have all available staff next week in school and will be working tirelessly to have the school ready for Monday the 6th September. I am so disappointed that we are unable to welcome the children back as promised but hope that you understand how difficult a decision this was to make. I hope that the advance notice will help in enabling you to organise childcare. I am certain that when the children do arrive on the 6th September they will be welcomed into an amazing space.

Thank you as always for your constant support,

Kind regards and best wishes

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Emma Johnson Head Teacher

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