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Dear Families,

Over the weekend we have had some contractors on site to erect fencing around parts of the building which could be in place for a while. This is because Lancashire County Council (LCC) is putting precautionary measures in place on all schools constructed under their Building Schools for the Future programme. This will then allow them to carry out some investigation work on the building, but will not affect our ability to use the site moving forward.

This is the statement from LCC:

The county council has undertaken surveys at a number of Lancashire schools constructed under the Government's Building Schools for the Future Programme.

In the course of carrying out their inspections, surveyors have identified some areas requiring further investigation. Fencing is being erected until a thorough inspection has been completed and any necessary repairs have been carried out.

The county council is doing everything possible to ensure this work is completed quickly and with minimal disruption to the schools. Health and safety is the priority.

If you have any queries around this you can contact LCC at BSFEnquiries@lancashire.gov.uk

To allow us time to update staff of the new procedures before students arrive, students should arrive tomorrow (Tuesday), at 9:50am ready for an extended form time session at 10am so that we can go through the updated fire evacuation and safety procedures with them. When students arrive, they should go directly to form rooms. College will open at normal time from Wednesday onwards.

There will not be any breakfast club on Tuesday morning, and due to the late start break times will not run as normal. Breakfast club will resume at 7:45 on Wednesday as normal.

For tomorrow only, enrichment clubs will be cancelled but these will resume on Wednesday, and unfortunately, we have taken the decision to cancel the Winter Showcase which was planned for Thursday evening.

To ensure all students are safe on site, we will have additional staff on duty before school, at break and lunches and at the end of the day. To help re-enforce our safety messaging to students, we ask that you re-iterate with your child the importance of keeping away from the fencing and supports as these are out of bounds for everyone. We will of course be going through this messaging during form time on Tuesday and at regular intervals moving forward.

The flu jabs that were scheduled for tomorrow will be re-arranged.

Yours Sincerely,



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