



Lavant

C.E. Primary School

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Dear Parents,

Flood Damage update

Exploratory works last weekend, as expected, found that moisture from the flood has penetrated quite deeply into the concrete floors and internal walls, and is currently being trapped by thin layers of bitumen and glue on the surface of the classroom floors. These layers will be removed over the Easter break, which will hopefully speed up the drying process. Unfortunately, one of the layers being removed does contain small amounts of asbestos which means employing a specialist team and restricting access into the school building over the Easter break.

On a positive note, many of you will have seen the first of our temporary portacabins which is now situated in the staff carpark. This has immediately alleviated some of the pressure on space and is being used to teach our children in year five each morning whilst Mr. Taylor prepares our year six children for their National Curriculum Tests taking place at the beginning of May. Over the Easter break, we are also expecting the delivery of a temporary classroom and toilet block that will be situated on the end of the school playground for the summer term. This will be used by our children in Early Years and Key Stage 1 and will be a welcomed relief from the cramped conditions of the past five weeks.



Change to school hours / pick-up time on Friday 8th April

In preparation for the changes in teaching spaces for the beginning of the summer term, and as we will not have access to the school building in the Easter holidays, we have taken the difficult decision to close the school early **on Friday 8th April. Please note school will close for children at 1:15pm on this day.** During the afternoon, staff will be dismantling the temporary classroom at Lavant House and packing up their temporary learning spaces in school, ready for moving into our new accommodation for the start of the summer term. We are hoping that this will minimise the disruption to the start of the new term and that this will be the last interruption to our usual opening hours. If this change causes you significant challenges, please, as always, do not hesitate to give me a call.

Thank you once again for your support and understanding during these challenging times.

Kindest regards,

Adrian King