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Dear Families

KS1 playground development

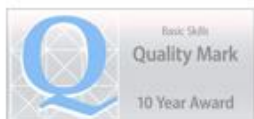
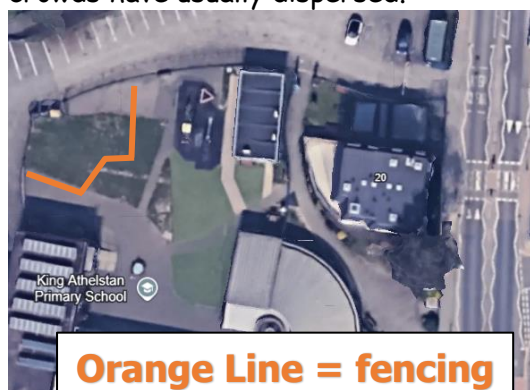
Key Information:

- Fencing will be constructed and work will commence on Monday 10th February
- A strict single file one-way system will be in place through the KS1 playground at Y2-6 pick up time
- Do not come back through the blue gates at pick up time
- If you are worried about pick up times being crowded in the KS1 playground, please collect at 3:18pm when the crowds have dispersed
- If you have any messages to pass on to teachers, please email them to admin@kingathelstan.rbksch.org, rather than stopping to talk to teachers after school, unless it's really urgent
- If teachers have messages for parents and carers they will share these via phone or email

As mentioned in previous communication, on **Monday 10th February** fencing will be constructed in the KS1 playground and work on the second phase of the playground will commence. We are excited about this and would like to inform you of some temporary adjustments that will be in place during the construction period.

One-Way System:

To prevent congestion and ensure a smooth flow of traffic, we will re-enforce the one-way system through the KS1 playground blue gates by Wiltshire and McQueen, and through into the car park at pick up time for Years 2-6 families. **It is crucial that all parents and carers adhere to the designated green route below to avoid creating bottlenecks - do not come back through the blue gates identified by the blue cross below.** As you can see from the diagram, the fencing (**orange lines**) will make the space in this area restricted, so parents and carers will need to stick to **single file** to avoid blocking the way for others. Please do not come inside the school grounds before 3:15pm unless you are collecting Reception children as this restricts the area for Early Years families. If you are worried about this area being more crowded than usual, please feel free to collect at 3:18pm when the initial crowds have usually dispersed.



Playground Restrictions During the Day:

The KS1 playground will be restricted for use during the renovation period to ensure the safety of our pupils and to facilitate the construction process. The pirate ship climbing equipment will be out of use during the work due to its proximity to the construction fencing. Children will still be able to use part of the equipment and most of KS1 playground for games outside. Additional spaces and activities will be set up to support children's lunchtimes.

We understand that these temporary changes may cause some inconvenience, and we appreciate your understanding and cooperation as we work to improve our school environment for the benefit of all students.

At present the company are suggesting a 2-3 week schedule (1 week is half-term), however as with all construction work, timescales can change. We will make every effort to keep you updated on the progress of the playground renovation and any additional information that may affect daily routines. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the school office.

Thank you for your cooperation and continued support in creating a safe and conducive learning environment for our children.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Emily Newton'.

Emily Newton

Headteacher