



## This week 20<sup>th</sup> October 2018

It has been an interesting week full of diverse issues. We are at the stage of finalising the furniture, fixtures and equipment for the finished school (FF&E), so lots of conversations about the type of folding tables in the dining area, vinyl versus carpet in various parts of the school, radio controlled clocks versus battery clocks and whether the radio signal would actually work through the walls!

The final pre-commencement conditions were met this week and there is now activity on the site itself. I received several phone calls from delighted people, along with people drawing my attention to someone writing to the letters page of the local paper describing the temporary first year accommodation as 'huts'. The newly built Sports Centre will be anything but huts – in fact you won't even know it is meant to be a Sports Centre whilst it is our temporary school. There are some pictures below that show you the layout. If we should incur unprecedented delays, the mobile temporary classrooms we will use as a plan B are certainly not huts. There are some schools who would relish having these as their classrooms!

sports hall phase 1 floor plans



Indeed, having observed a Year 7 Science lesson in a temporary classroom at another school earlier this week, the words plush, roomy, warm and well equipped come to mind (see picture below).



Temporary Science classroom



Temporary Computer classroom

The fully built school will be ready for us in time for the September 2020 academic year.

**The window for applications for September 2019 closes on Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> October. Please bear in mind that this deadline falls during the half-term break.**

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