

How can you help?

You can help us by staying off our site and making sure that children under your control are kept off. Building sites do appear to be marvellous places to play but they can be deadly to children and even adults. If you see anything suspicious please report it to Chris, the project manager on site during working hours, on 01952 728639, or the School on 01952 727606. You can also contact the Police on 01743 264752, or call Crimestoppers, anonymously, on 0800 555111; they work for you, your family and the community. Just tell them what you know, not who you are.

A Merry and a Peaceful Christmas to all from the Kier Moss Team



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What's happened so far

- We have continued to make good progress through Autumn despite the tropical strength downpours
- We have virtually completed all of the roof coverings, the building is becoming watertight
- The red brickwork to the sports hall is complete
- The stone walls to the Edge building are progressing
- The cedar cladding is working its way around the Teaching and Learning building so this is now losing its "bacofill" oven ready look
- Between the rain showers we have started the render to the pool and changing room areas
- Nearly 25% of the rooms to the Teaching and Learning block have been plastered. This is allowing a mist coat of paint to be applied prior to fixing services to the walls
- Mechanical and electrical services continue to all areas
- We have commenced the installation of the pool plant room earlier than programmed
- Window installation to the Teaching and Learning block is nearly complete
- The new external sports facilities have progressed well
- We have prepared the building to receive its new services; gas, water and electricity.



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What happens next?

- Lay the finishes to the all weather pitches
- The roof will be completed including the roof lights around the Pebble
- The external walls will continue allowing the fitting of the long windows and curtain walling
- The internal walls and their finishes will continue as will the mechanical and electrical services including wiring and end fittings.
- Commence the installation of floor finishes
- Towards the end of March we will be starting our process of testing and commissioning. The July 2010 handover approaches

News from the site

We have had lots of visitors to the site over the past few months. Thomas Cresswell and Dayle Turner from the school spent two weeks with us in September as our second batch of work experience placements. They went away impressed with the level of planning and organisation involved in construction. We restarted the visits from Shrewsbury College in the new term with a visit from their HND construction students again with the comments "understand why things are done, not just how they are done. I consider your site to be an exemplar of good practice". The Ambassadors continue their regular visits, on their last visit in November they carried out a special task.

You will remember in one of our earlier issues we showed the time capsule that we were going to bury beneath the school. Well we needed to use two capsules in the end, these were placed in their final resting place in the main entrance to the school. Peter Hampson, Chair of Governors, and Penny Cooper, Head, watched as the Ambassadors lowered the second of the time capsules into its prepared pit. This location will be marked with a plaque for posterity. We wonder what future generations will make of the school's snapshot of life in Much Wenlock in 2009.



Well done to Emma Williams and Charlotte Connor they took part in the recent Birmingham half marathon and as well as putting in excellent times they also raised £657 for Macmillan Cancer Support. Thanks also to Josie Lloyd and Ben Weatherley of Williams Brookes School, who helped with the site's Macmillan coffee morning.



Charlotte Connor and Emma Williams

FACT FILE

- There is enough glass in the windows to make over 5,100 double glazed goldfish bowls. Energy efficient but still cruel – use tanks!
- If you tied one end of our data cabling used on the project to a crow, it would be able to fly, theoretically, to Morton in the Marsh Gloucestershire. What a lot of cable!
- The data cable is distributed from a very tired crow onto $3\frac{3}{4}$ miles of cable tray
- If a student used a different data point each day to connect their computer it would take just over 7 years to use every one. A challenge for next year's new students!



A word from Chris Watkins, Project Manager

We have continued to make good progress on site during the autumn period. I think we made the right decision starting the works to the sports field early. Not only did we get the main earthworks completed prior to our record breaking rainfall, But it allows us to hand back the artificial turf pitch early to the school at the end of January, a good New Year present. The running surface and the turf infill will follow in early summer as the bonding of the polymer track surface is temperature dependant.

The site is now running at full throttle and we are near our maximum workforce size. Our additional temporary car park is well used. From now on the majority of the changes will happen within the building so from the outside there will now not be major changes but rest assured inside is a hive of activity. We are now programming our works with the finish in mind. We have even started initial painting inside. Once the main services are connected to the building we will start testing and commissioning the building.

We are entering the transition period when the project changes from a building site to its working state.

The project is now at a stage where it is susceptible to vandalism. We have on site security but if you are passing the site and you see anything suspicious please do not hesitate to call the police if it is out of hours or the site during normal working hours.

If you have any concerns or comments please do not hesitate in contacting me on site.

Lastly I would like to wish you a happy and peaceful Christmas and all of our best wishes for the coming year

Chris

A date for your diary

The next Stakeholder meeting will take place in February 2010, the final date is still to be confirmed. It will be held in the school hall at 18.00, all are welcome.