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Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to thank you for supporting us over an amazing 1st Autumn half term. It has been lovely getting to know our new year 7 students and they have worked really hard settling in and are an asset to our school community.

We have also welcomed a number of new staff this term who have settled into Oakfield Park School amazingly.

- Nicola Hirst – Temporary Assistant Head at Sandal Site
- James Blackburn – KS3 Teacher, currently at Sandal Site
- Kirsty Wilkinson – KS4 Teacher
- Beth Withell – KS4 Teacher
- Simon Fox – Post 16 Teacher
- Holly Jackson – HLTA
- Evie– TA
- Louis– TA
- Amy– TA
- Alberto– TA
- Ellie – TA
- Martha – TA

We have also had to say some goodbyes to a number of staff this term. We wish them all the best for the future:

- Zoe – HLTA
- Liz– Cleaner
- Paula – Cleaner
- Sharon – TA

We had our **Parents evening** last week; we moved this to enable all families the opportunity to meet the new teacher and find out about the year ahead for their child. We had over 60 parents attend in person which was amazing!

Special Mentions. At school we like to celebrate our staff and students for being amazing. If you would like to nominate someone who has supported you or your child, please let us know by emailing reception@oakfieldpark.wakefield.sch.uk It will then be shared on our system to be celebrated.

Special Leave of Absence requests. If you need to request special leave, please write a note in the book or contact reception@oakfieldpark.wakefield.sch.uk and we can send home the forms to be completed. If leave is taken during school time without authorisation it will be marked in the register as unauthorised and a penalty will be issued.

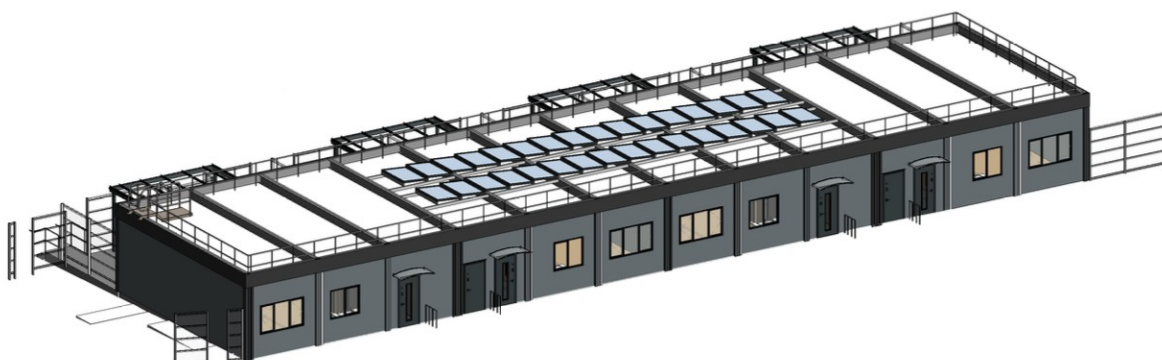
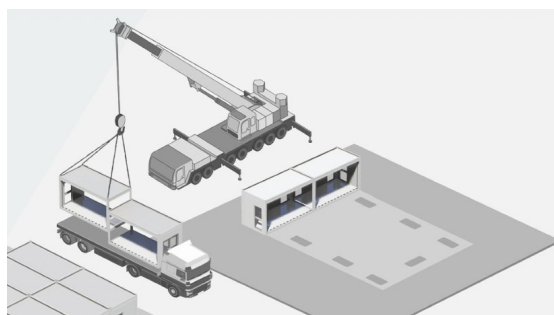
Update on our building works at the Ackworth site. We are excited to be working with Portakabin for the duration of the building project. They will have site managers on site to oversee the project and to keep us up to date with the progress of the build.

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The project has experienced some delays and demolition work is now due to start over October half term. It is a big project with 4 new bespoke classrooms being built. These are modular buildings which will be mainly built on school site with lots of modern features to meet the needs of our students with complex needs. They will be lifted onto site by crane with most of the internal work being done on site. I am sure the students will love watching the progress as the building develops over the coming months.



Here is a view of what the building will look like. There will be 4 classrooms each with own entrance door and outside break out space. Each classroom will have a large teaching room, a small group work room and a calm sensory room with colour changing lights. The classroom will also have its own accessible toilet and store room. We have chosen a modern grey colour to match the existing building which was extended in 2015.

We look forward to welcoming you back on the **3rd of November**. Have a safe and happy half term break.

Kind regards,

Yours faithfully



Nicola Cryer
Headteacher