Welcome
Welcome to the first edition of the Forest Gate Community School project newsletter, providing you with progress update, forthcoming activities and other news.

Project News
Building Schools for the Future is a scheme to provide investment and new facilities for schools. Laing O’Rourke is working alongside the Local Authority and Forest Gate Community School to transform the plans into reality.
We have recently started work on three other schools in the local area and Forest Gate Community School is the fourth project to start on site.

Project Description
The project consists of 3 main areas of work: part demolition and refurbishment of the old gym building to provide 8 new classrooms, a new sports hall to provide top class facilities for the school & local community and the refurbishment of the rest of the school to provide up to date teaching facilities to enable the pupils to learn in the best environment possible.

The main demolition and re-building works to the old gym are due to be undertaken in the school holidays during normal working hours to reduce any disruption to the school. To enable these works to be undertaken safely, a fully enclosed scaffold is to be erected around the gym building before summer holidays begin. The scaffolding works have to be undertaken out of school hours, with the first scaffolding being erected from Saturday 11th July. It has been agreed with the school and the Noise Department of the Local Authority that these works can be undertaken on Saturdays between the hours of 8am and 1pm and during the week between 4pm and 9pm. During these works, all effort will be made to ensure any noise made is kept to a minimum. All workers on site have to adhere to Laing O’Rourke’s Code of Conduct, which includes items on behaviour, noise and general respect to the school and its neighbours. These efforts will be continued during the main construction phase as well.

Coming up……..Summer Activities
Scaffolding to existing gym building
Internal demolition of concrete stair core inside existing gym
Removal of 1st and 2nd storey windows from existing gym
Demolition of internal walls to existing gym 1st and 2nd floors
Cutting new window openings on 2nd floor existing gym for new classrooms and bricking up existing openings
Move external classrooms to new location on North side of playground
Setting up site hoarding in South side of the playground
Setting up site offices and facilities inside the hoarding

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Regards

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