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## End of Half Term Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are delighted to inform you that building work to meet the needs of Iveson as a two form entry school is scheduled to start in the next half term.

Over the next year we will see some significant and exciting changes to the school which will result in new library and research areas in key stage one and two, two new classrooms where our hall is and significant refurbishment to the gym to create a multipurpose hall and gym. The dining hall will be extended and upgraded, toilet blocks completely refurbished. Improvements will be made to the office and car park.

We have planned the work to keep disruption to a minimum for the children. However due to the scale and nature of the work some classes will have to move classrooms for a short period whilst theirs is being refurbished.

The first phase see's Year 4 Ravens move classrooms whilst that is being refurbished along with the ICT Suites conversion into a classroom, an existing office and store area being created into a multi-functional art / food science and DT room and the hall converted into two new classrooms.

We will release updates as the work progresses and will post the 3d plans as soon as they are finalised with the architect.

We are all looking forward to the new look Iveson!

As part of our drive to improve standards we have been alerted to an area which we need your support to address. The government looks at persistent absences (Children who miss 10% or more sessions) and has marked from a two term to three term analysis and applied this retrospectively. On looking at our data we had twice as many persistent absences in 2016 then schools nationally and whilst all the work carried out in 2017 significantly improved this we are still above national. We would therefore remind all parents that we do not authorise holidays in term time. Our pupil attendance team are busy researching the impact of persistent absence and will be in touch with you soon to share their findings.

Your sincerely

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