

Wirral Education Committee



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Dear Parents/Carers,

I would like to update you on the situation with the school building. Firstly, thank you to the Rebuild Riverside team for their passion and commitment to the school. The coat installation was an inspiring message.

Although I am overwhelmed with the generosity and initiative of our parents, it really should not be left to you to raise money for what should be children's entitlement.

Despite all the problems we face, we have still managed to provide a safe environment for our children which our recent Health and Safety Audit confirms. However, there is a difference between things being safe and things being acceptable. We will continue to battle for the best facilities for our children.

The Local Authority are well aware of the situation and continue to hold Riverside in high regard. They have supported us with a temporary toilet block and additional windows. They are also in the process of upgrading the heating and ventilation system and some kitchen appliances. They have assured us that from Wednesday the children will have hot meals and the heating system will be fully operational.

We are having a meeting on Wednesday to see how the LA can support us further in improving our school. Angela Eagle MP has also been championing our school and will bring our situation to parliament as soon as the opportunity arises.

We are desperately urging our Prime Minister to help us access the funding that he announced would be available to help make schools fit for the 21st century. At present, this funding is not available for mainstream LA ran schools.

Here's to hot dinners and a warm school on Wednesday.

Very best wishes,

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Mrs. Lahive Headteacher