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Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: Waterside Primary

Please find a letter from Leicester City Council on the reverse of this. A press release has also been sent out today, explaining what is happening with the project.

When the site for the new school was cleared, environmental surveys uncovered significant ground contamination and poor soil quality on parts of the site. Unfortunately, this is extremely expensive to fix and the council has decided to look at a range of options to make the project more cost effective. As a result, I am extremely sorry to say that any new school will now not be completed until August 2021 at the earliest.

We are all extremely disappointed, as I am sure you will be too. As you know, the present building is small and cramped with limited outdoor space. We are lucky to have the sports hall but we are aware that your children deserve a better school building and outdoor areas in which to learn and I will continue to push the council to provide what has already been promised.

All our forward planning has been based on the new school building so we will immediately start looking instead at how we can make sure we improve facilities at Fosse over the next two years; we hope to invest in improved information technology as well as changing some of the outdoor areas to encourage outdoor learning. We will also be looking at the curriculum to make sure we provide the most varied and interesting learning experiences possible to ensure every child leaves Fosse with a really well-rounded education.

If you have any concerns or questions please do not hesitate to ask.

Best Wishes

Richard Stone

Headteacher

