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Dear Parent/Carer

As you will know, there have been extensive building programmes to improve both campuses undertaken over the past year. The Shakespeare Campus now has a new roof and crescent floor and the Cherbourg Campus has a full suite of refurbished science rooms.

Whilst the programmes should be completed by the afternoon of Thursday 1st September, the building works mean both campuses are in need of a deep clean. In addition, due to the building work, staff have been unable to access the buildings and therefore have been unable to prepare their classrooms for the start of term.

Mr Nash, Mr Gibbs and myself have inspected both sites today and in consultation with the chair of governors and senior site manager have had to make a difficult decision.

Regrettably, I have to inform you that **school will remain closed to students on Friday 2nd September** whilst we ensure the school is fit to welcome students for the start of the new academic year. This will be classed as an Emergency Closure.

We look forward to welcoming all students on Monday 5th September for an 8.30am start.

We recognise this might be an inconvenience to some parents, but we have a duty of care to ensure the school is fully operational, clean and hygienic for students to return.

Yours sincerely

Krista Dawkins