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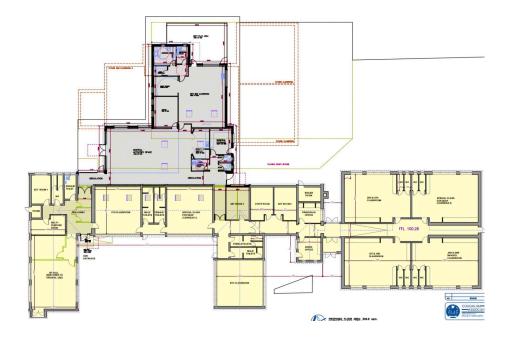
Dear Parents,

I want to update you on two building projects that have been progressing over the last year.

ASD Classroom and Central Activity Space

Our extension which has been sanctioned by the Dept of Education since September 2022 has finally moved on to the next stage. Our architects can now prepare and submit plans to Offaly County Council for planning permission. Hopefully things will move more quickly in the coming months. Timelines are only rough estimates at this stage, but I would hope, optimistically, that we will be using the new rooms by September 2027.

You can see the proposed new build in grey below.



Energy Retrofit

Separate from the above, a major retrofit funded by the <u>EU RePower Pathfinder Programme</u> has been approved for our school and will take place over the summer holidays. Following months of planning, contracts were signed last month with the main contractor, Dominic O'Connor Ltd based in Loughrea, County Galway.

Work to be carried out includes the following:

- External and attic insulation.
- New windows (including blinds and window liners) and external doors in the older part of the school.
- Air tightness measures.
- New hybrid heating system consisting of LPG boiler and air source heat pump system.
- New radiators.
- New standalone air to water heat pump and new cylinder.
- New mechanical ventilation with heat recovery system.
- New building management system.
- New energy meters and monitoring and targeting system.
- LED lighting and controls.
- New standalone emergency lighting system.
- New electric car charging point.

As you can see this is a significant investment in our school and combined with the extension to come will future proof the building for many years into the future.

Yours faithfully,

Mícheál Hyland Principal