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Audit:

Following the H&S audit in April we are delighted to announce we attained an 'outstanding' audit

Policies: Due to the new radicalisation and extremism

Risk Assessments ... just a reminder they are required for the new term.

Staff Room ... we have installed a constant hot water tap to enable you to make hot drinks instantly rather than using the urn, which supports H&S regulations.

Phoenix –have had a drinking water swan neck tap installed.

Reflexology: Lizzie is back and will be holding her clinic every 4 weeks in a Tuesday. To book a slot, please see Sharon.

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Key Priorities: Safeguarding.

Electronic Gates to Main School Entrance ...have been installed. Thank you for your patience with the 'teething'

problems which have now all been resolved. All staff can now access the gates via their mobile phones and/or with your usual Batchwood key fobs. To ensure your fob and phone is activated, please see Sharon on Reception.

In addition, any regular visitors to the school can be issued with their individual access code, so please direct them to Reception.

Food Tech Refurbishment: We have appointed Innova Designs for the refurbishment and work will commence over half term. The room will provide additional work spaces, ovens and sinks for students with a dedicated teacher's demonstration area. If anyone would like to view the proposed plans, please see Amanda or Laura.

Science Lab: We are currently exploring the option of creating a fully functioning science lab in Science 2. This will enable experiments to be undertaken in a safe and controlled environment.

Windows Refurbishment....

The refurbishment is near completion and all windows have had the safety bars replaced.

ASBESTOS ... as always we ask for vigilance in your classrooms and to report any new cracks in the ceilings or walls, to Tom or Amanda.

Current Trained First Aiders:

- Debbie Hawkes
- Nina Waters
- Jane Smalley
- Tom Tansey
- Sue Solo
- Jenni Matthews

Please ensure you update your signs in your classrooms

The following policies have been amended and are available to view on the teachers shared area or school website.

Emergency response plan

Pay and staff appraisal

Admissions

Equal Opportunities

Teaching & Learning

Home School Agreement

Target Setting

Collective Acts of Worship

Child Protection

Child Looked After

SEN Policy

Safeguarding

And finally ...

As a team we have a duty of care to be vigilant to keep staff and

The Gold room is officially open and the students will be able to entertain themselves playing: Wii, air hockey and the PS2, or just chill out with a good book from the library selection. The furnishing of the room was made possible by a very generous donation from the Sheridan-Edwards family, and so I think should be affectionately known as the 'Sheridan Suite'!

Table Tennis Tables Have been greatly received by students and we think you will agree they are a great addition to student break times.

Garden Fields School: expansion continues into the Autumn/Winter term. **Proposed Traffic Regulation Order:** The Highways are proposing an extension to existing 'School Keep Clear' term time only, on a specified length of Townsend Drive. The measures are being proposed to improve safety for all road users in the vicinity of Garden Fields School and will eliminate parking/stopping during school times allowing visibility at school entrances and exits. The consultation will continue until 14 October and we will keep you informed of any updates.

First Aid Boxes ... please ensure they are fully stocked. Replenishments can be found in the first aid room.