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To: All Parents/Carers of students in Reception – Year 11

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am delighted to be able to write to you today to reveal our vision for a new canteen on the King's Oak Academy upper school site, that we hope will give our young people access to modern catering and social facilities.

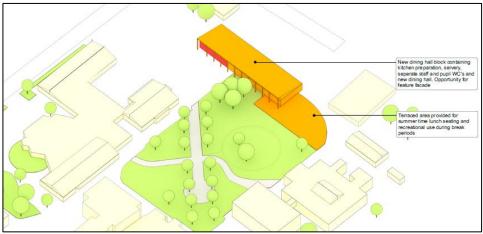
The existing upper school canteen and kitchen is currently located away from the main body of the King's Oak site (marked X on the adjacent aerial photograph). Pre-covid restrictions and bubble structures, students would exit the main site and cross Brook Road, at both break and lunchtime, to reach the canteen.

For a number of years, students and parents have identified the condition and location of the canteen as areas for improvement. In October 2020 the canteen was deemed not fit for use and as a result we have served hot/cold school lunches directly to each year group bubble location throughout this academic year.



We are now drawing up plans, which we intend to submit to South Gloucestershire Council in June, for a new, single storey canteen on the site of the out-of-use BG (pastel coloured) buildings, which will significantly refresh and rejuvenate this unused area of the academy (illustration below).

Following student voice with regards to improving accessibility across our site, we also hope to create a new walkway for students and staff to cross between E Block and the new canteen (this is not included in the illustration).







Subject to approval, we expect the canteen building works will be completed by May 2022. Throughout the project we will keep students, parents and local residents informed and updated on progress. Understandably the building works may cause some disruption during the academy day and in the school holidays. However, we will endeavour to keep any disruption to a minimum.

Thank you in advance for your support during this exciting development for King's Oak Academy. If you have any questions with regards to the proposal, please email <u>koa.principal@clf.uk</u>.

Kind regards

Katherine Ogden Principal