15th November 2017

Dear Parent/Carer,

We are the pupil voice representatives at Longhaugh and we are writing to inform you about the new school. Recently, we had a meeting with Mr Smith to discuss any questions we had about moving in to the new building next session. We came up with lots of questions and in this newsletter we have shared some of the answers. We know that parents might have different questions so we would like you to ask some questions as well.

## Q Will we still be called Longhaugh Primary School?

A. Yes. We will be sharing this fantastic new facility with St. Francis RC Primary School but we will still retain our own identity as Longhaugh Primary School. Our badge and uniform will stay the same.

## Q. Will we share a playground with the children from St. Francis?

A. Yes, we will share a playground. There may be different areas of the playground for different year groups and there may be different playtimes. The head teachers from the two schools will meet to discuss the exact arrangements for playtimes and lunchtimes.

## Q. How big is the gym hall? Will we have to share the gym hall?

**A.** The gym hall is very big and can accommodate more than one class at a time. The head teachers will meet to discuss timetables for access to facilities like the gym hall and assembly hall.

## Q. How many children will there be altogether?

A. There will be lots of children. The current role of Longhaugh is 285 and the current role of St. Francis is 407. Longhaugh nursery will also be moving to North East Campus.

## Q. Will classes be split up?

**A.** The classes will be structured based on the staffing structure provided by Dundee City Council. There will be no alteration to the class structure that is a result of the move to the new building.

# Q. Will there be equipment in the playground? Will there be a football pitch?

A. We will take our playground equipment with us to the new building. We may need to purchase some new play ground equipment to go with our brand new playground. Our Parent Council are always open to new fundraising ideas. The next meeting is to be on the 5th December at 6pm. There will be a grass playing field and the current plan is to include a 3G pitch as well.

## Q. Will there be space for parking? Are we allowed to bring bikes/scooters to school

A. With such a large number of families accessing the school at peak times, parking may be difficult. This is being looked at by the New Build Project Board, which Mrs Jenkins sits on, as do parent representatives. The two head teachers will discuss arrangements for bikes and scooters and will put out information nearer to August.

We hope you enjoyed our newsletter. As we learn more about our exciting new school, we will write to you again. In the meantime, if you have any questions at all about our new building then please contact Mr Smith.

## Regards,

The Pupil Voice (Jay, Dasha, Rhys, Alyssa, Declan, Kodi, Andrew, Erin, Logan, Ruby, Mark, Samuel and Alisha).

