



12th October 2023

Dear Family

This is my seventh Space Village update. We have made it to the end of week six and, with one week to go, the half term break is just around the corner. I have a mixture of good and not quite as good news this week. The good news is that we continue to be on track to complete Space Village in time for the start of next half term. We have also had the opportunity to see inside the A Block which is due to be completed this week - there are just a few things to finish and then we will be able to occupy it. The finish is great and I cannot wait to get our staff and learners inside. Please see the updates on our Facebook page for photos of the Space Village.

The not so good news is that we will unfortunately need Cohort 8 to complete an additional day of remote learning. We had hoped to be able to bring them back in on Monday along with Cohort 7 and have only one group working remotely (Cohort 9); however, the deadlines are so tight to complete the build that we will need Monday to ensure that staff are ready to teach in their rooms on Tuesday and that all building control requirements have been met. I appreciate that this may cause further disruption for Cohort 8 parents who may now need to make alternative plans.

Therefore, next week's remote learning timetable will be as follows

Week A (Week 7)	Cohorts in School	Remote Learning
16 th October	7,10,11	8, 9
17 th October	7,8,10,11	9
18 th October	7,8,10,11	9
19 th October	7,8,10,11	9
20 th October	7,8,10,11	9

Community Support

Our community furniture move will still be taking place on Saturday 14th October. Should you wish to assist the school with this, please email Mrs Frogley on cfrogley@honywoodschool.com

Space Village Branding

The "Space Village - make the impossible, possible" logo competition is now complete and we will soon be announcing the winning design. There have been so many great designs it has been very difficult to choose an overall winner. There will also be a community winner announced who was voted by visitors that attended our open evening. The winning design will be announced before the end of this half term. I will also be creating one large display with all the logos entries on it.

The planet themed posters for each classroom are also ready to be installed. The quality and finish are outstanding and they will bring crisp white blank canvas of the corridors to life.

The rooms will be called: Titan; Neptune; Pluto; IO; Trappist 1E; Enceladus; Pegasus 51; Mercury; Kepler 16b; Kepler 186f; The Grand Tour; Mars; Venus; Ganymede; Jupiter; Callisto; Saturn; Europa; Uranus; 55 Cancri E; SuperEarth; Ceres. Each image contains a small description.

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Moonshot Thinking

We have continued to have media interest in our project. This week, we were interviewed by The Guardian about our response to the RAAC crisis. I am hoping that this continued media interest will support us in our larger quest for a brand-new school. I also met with our local MP, Priti Patel, to show her Space Village and to discuss the next steps in engaging with the Department for Education to create a long-term strategy to replace the school. I shall update families with my progress on this matter as soon as I can. Once we have settled into Space Village, our attention will turn to the longer-term mitigations that will involve the structural work in areas affected by the RAAC.

In the meantime, have a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'James Saunders', written in a cursive style.

James Saunders