

BUILDING UPDATE

CONSTRUCTION OF OUR NEW SCHOOL CAMPUS



DEAR PARENTS

We are delighted to share with you exciting developments in relation to the phased construction plans of our much anticipated new Roslyn Park campus. This incorporates both the Shellybanks Educate Together National School and our school, Sandymount Park Educate Together Secondary School. There has been significant progress of Phase 1 of the campus development with Shellybanks ETNS scheduled to be in their new building by December 2025. The next development, Phases 2 and 3, which incorporate our school Sandymount Park ETSS, are scheduled to be fully completed by March 2028.

Plans for our New School Campus



The new school campus will ultimately provide a state-of-the-art educational building for over 1000 secondary school students and 450 primary school students. It will incorporate all of the best in new school design and includes 37 classes, 24 specialist rooms, a large hall, gym, rooftop area and outdoor seating. In addition, there will be extensive facilities to support students with special educational needs. Included are some images of the planned new wonderful campus and there will be links to more detailed plans on the website www.sandymountparkets.ie.



INTERIM MODULAR ACCOMMODATION ON THE SITE



Following recent discussions with the Department of Education and the appointed Building Contractors we are now moving to the combined Phases 2 & 3 of the campus development, and the construction of Sandymount Park ETSS. This involves the demolition of our existing school building and the construction of a contemporary new building on the existing site, which incorporates the historic Gandon Villa. In order to facilitate this next phase, Sandymount Park ETSS will move into an interim modular school building on the lawn area of the existing campus. By moving out and giving the contractors full access to the building we have been able to reduce the overall building time by 12 months.

Plans for this interim modular building have just recently been shared with us by the Department of Education. The interim modular building will be fully equipped with the same number of classrooms that we currently have, including 2 Science labs, Music room, Art room, SEN space, all in line with Department of Education standards. An outdoor basketball court will form part of the available outdoor space as well as designated outdoor areas for recreation. Each classroom will be technology enabled and will have a BER A rating.

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A detailed planning process has been put in place by school management to ensure that all students will continue to have a high standard and comfortable environment for learning during this interim period. Plans are also being put in place within the school timetable to access facilities from local sports clubs for PE as well as hiring an appropriate venue to stage our much-loved annual TY Musical.

Construction of the interim modular school building will commence in March and Sandymount Park ETSS will move into this building for the start of the academic year in August 2025. It is planned that we will be in this interim modular accommodation for 2 full academic years, with the new School Campus scheduled to be completed by March 2028.

Ongoing Communication and updates to the School Community

We will continue to keep the school community informed as we receive updates from the building contractors and have created a dedicated page on our website with links to all the plans and images. Printed images and plans for both the interim modular building and the final Roslyn Park Campus will be displayed in the school reception for parents and students to look at in greater detail.

We are so pleased to share this really positive development for our school community. The Roslyn Park Campus will be a wonderful, modern, state-of-the-art educational building for our students and staff and future generations. Thank you for all of your continued support as we move into this final phase of our much anticipated new School Campus.

The Board of Management Sandymount Park ETSS