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Dear Parents/Guardians:

This has been an exciting and busy start to the school year. Beyond the usual preparation for a new school year, repairs and alterations are also a necessary part of the operation of any school. That is especially so in older schools such as ours. This year, our school is undergoing a window replacement project.

The Toronto District School Board (TDSB) requires work areas to be evaluated before repairs can begin. In the course of that evaluation for this particular project, it was determined that there is deterioration of the concrete beams and columns at some of the locations. Therefore, this project will take longer than initially anticipated due to necessary prep work that is required to reinforce building supports prior to installing the windows. As a result, the project is now estimated to be completed by the end of the school year, weather permitting.

This will also have an impact on some of the classrooms until the construction in their classroom has been completed. Portables are expected to arrive this week in order to relocate some of the classrooms while the crews work to repair the beams.

As we might expect, these kinds of projects also bring challenges and inconveniences that need to be managed with flexibility. All work will be completed in accordance with strict government regulations established under the Occupational Health & Safety Act. Along with the TDSB's Facility Services staff, we will monitor the project as it progresses to ensure the safety of students and staff at all times.

I want to thank you in advance for your patience and understanding. While some inconvenience is inevitable, even as we do our very best to minimize that, I know we all agree that the end result will bring many benefits to our students now and for many years to come.

Sincerely,

Marcia Diakun,
Principal

