

Year 6 children wrote this letter to the Headteacher, to register their views on the building of a new extension planned for the school. Prior to writing, the class had scrutinised the building plans and engaged in group discussions on the possible impact of the extension on pupils and the local community. Writing is independent and children were encouraged to present their personal perspective on the project.

St. XXXX Primary School

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Dear Mrs. XXXX

As you know, the school is going to be extended, reformed and updated. This letter is to tell you what I think will benefit from the project. I understand that it will change school life vastly but I doubt there will be any negativity coming from the developments to the building.

My letter mainly focuses on phase 1 of the great project. I will first tell you about the outdoor Area. For a start, the playground is too basic. It is an uneven tarmac sheet, which is covered in filth and I insist you must redo or remove the paint job on the wall and floor, as it is peeling away and looks rather drab. Toys, which are dirty, are scattered all over and a proper storage space is mandatory. The play house, although it provides shelter and an acceptable place to play shop or family games, is on its last legs and is dry and cracked. I would advise that you repair it, if not replace it. Children will give a better attitude towards education if they have an enhanced playground experience.

Now onto Class R: The space is unacceptably small, therefore constricting personal space, which young children need an adequate amount of. As for the floor, it is ridden with little bits of dirt and paper, it should be cleaned due to the fact that the Year R's are constantly sitting on it and it would give a much nicer effect and stop children being distracted by bits on the floor. Even though there are lots of storage compartments, I would recommend more.

The room could really do with a new paint job or wall-paper. Something friendly, yet not distracting, as it should give a joyful atmosphere to the class.

I hope you understand my points about the beneficial properties of remodeling the school.

Yours sincerely

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