

# New Kirn Primary School

## Newsletter - Issue No. 1 September 2016

### Introduction

Welcome to the first of our quarterly newsletters on this exciting £8 million new school project.

This is just one of the many ways we'll be keeping you updated as the project progresses.

Argyll and Bute Council, project partners at hubNorth Scotland and Morrison Construction, the principal contractor, are committed to working together to keep you informed and get you involved as the building work continues.

Community engagement is very important to us and we welcome your feedback on the newsletter in particular and the project in general.

We'll be doing our utmost to ensure the work is carried out with the minimum of disruption to those who live around the site.

If you have any questions about the operation of the site please contact :

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Look out for the next issue in November.



Head Teacher Kirsteen Macdonald, pupils Emily-Mae McCall and Nathan Preece and Leader of the Council, Councillor Dick Walsh

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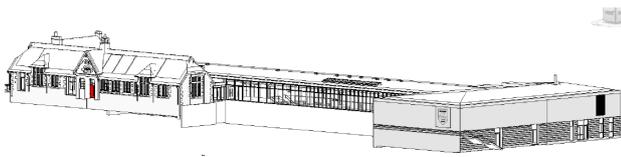
### Turf cutting ceremony

The project officially got underway with a turf cutting ceremony at the end of June.

Pupils, parents/carers, local councillors, the partnership project team and contractors met to mark the occasion.

Leader of Argyll and Bute Council, Councillor Dick Walsh was on hand to say a few words:

“We are taking the first step on an exciting journey for young people in this community—the very first step towards creating a brand new, modern school which will bring so many benefits for our pupils.”



**3D image of new school**



**New school from Park Road**

## **Background**

The construction of the new school, which has a capacity for 320 pupils, together with an early years facility of 30 spaces, is expected to take around a year.

The existing school will be demolished with the exception of the “1881 Victorian” building, which is being refurbished and integrated into the new school. The new school building will be over two stories and will contain all the primary classrooms, library, dining hall and sports hall. To the rear of the school will be an artificial all weather playing surface together with other landscaped play areas.

## **Story so far**

Morrison have secured the site area, making it safe for workers and members of the public.

The demolition stage is nearing completion and we have completed the internal strip out of the 1881 Victorian building ready for the refurbishment.

The groundwork, foundation and drainage works are in the early stages and will continue in the coming weeks and months.



**Nearly gone!**

## **Three month look ahead**

- Completion of all demolition works, giving a clear site to work on
- Getting the foundation work underway
- Building front elevation retaining wall.
- Beginning drainage works
- Towards the end of November starting to erect the steel frame