

BRC PROGRESS UPDATE

WEEK 19

Progress since the last update:

Work on the BRC project has begun to be very noticeable on the outside of buildings in the last couple of weeks. Key developments include:

- The roof of the energy centre and the entrance louvre doors are now in place;
- The railings for the cladding system have been installed in D building and on the west elevation of A building; Windows have begun to be installed on the outside of both D and A buildings;
- The Cladding railings have begun to be installed on the outside of A building and the attachment of the cladding brackets has moved to the South and East elevations;
- Concrete for the stairwell from music to the courtyard has begun to be poured and the contractor has erected metal scaffolding ready to pour the first floor concrete slab;
- and, the gas main is being connected into the energy centre which will then allow the refurbished building to be heated directly from this new source.

Cladding rails and new windows installed on the west face of A building



New Windows Installed into the production kitchen just in time for the start of the Christmas service.



New windows installed into the staff lounge in D building.



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New Windows in the electric kitchen looking out to the ground floor of the new building



Over in A building latex has been laid on the floors and the carpet fitters are working their way (rapidly) down from the 3rd floor. Ceiling grids are all in place and the middle stairwell has been redecorated.

On the ground floor the old exposed internal brickwork has been plastered over which totally transforms the space. The painting and decorating booths are well under construction too. We have reported that Phase 1 is due to complete in the Spring but we are now confident that we will be occupying parts of A building early in 2015 well before the Spring starts!

A staff workroom in A building with new kitchen, carpets and walls. This used to be 3 different small offices.



On the ground floor of A building the old round brick wall is newly plastered and painted.



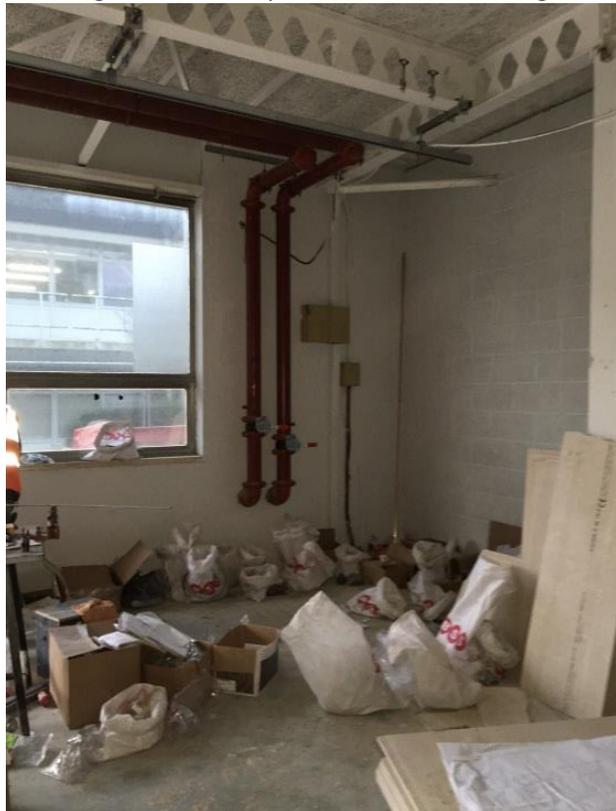
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New heating pipes from the energy centre entering The workshops into A and B buildings.



Inside D building we are grateful to the co-operation of all teaching teams and to the work of our main, and sub, contractors. **The video attached to this week's newsletter from Lynda Davidson sums up the feelings of the team well** "It's been very difficult for the last four days but I have to say the workmen have been very good and have worked with us. The results are absolutely fantastic. We absolutely love it. The vision we have now in here is so much clearer the windows just look phenomenal, we absolutely love it, so it has been worth the pain".

Travel Plan – Cycle Scheme

As part of the Travel Plan Initiative, the College is launching a Cycle to Work Scheme on Monday 1 December, where staff can buy a bike at a considerable saving, on a salary sacrifice

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scheme. **Road shows at BRC and CEMAST on 10 December** will give you more details. Staff members joining the scheme need to be taxpayers to purchase a bike through the scheme. Also, the value is limited to the lower of £1000 and an employee's net salary.

Fixtures Fittings and Equipment:

This week we have placed orders for new tables and chairs for A building that match those already in place in CEMAST, except on this site all classroom chairs will be black rather than grey. We have also placed orders for new AV equipment, again mirroring the EPSOM projectors at CEMAST, and new DELL PCs for the IT rooms in the newly refurbished A building.

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