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Dear DLG families,

As we near the end of the calendar year, we'd like to share another update about the deconstruction of the former DLG building. Keeping students and staff safe remains our highest priority. The work is going well. The abatement work we noted in September is expected to wrap up by the end of November. We're exceeding all safety and air quality standards set by WorkSafeBC and BC Occupational Health and Safety.

Starting in December, families and community members can expect to see the gymnasium building (located on the southwest portion of the school site) begin to be deconstructed. Following this, the former main school building will be deconstructed. No work will happen during December 24 to 26.

The deconstruction process occurs in small sections. Pieces of the building are removed carefully by a machine that resembles an "arm and hand". Materials are then stacked and sorted for recycling and disposal. The contractor will continue to take the necessary precautions to ensure a safe process for all students, staff and neighbours. This approach has been safely used at other seismically upgraded schools, where students enjoyed their new buildings while the old ones were carefully deconstructed, including Hudson Elementary and Tennyson Elementary. For more information about the deconstruction process, please see the [FAQ on our school website](#).

Once the demolition and disposal are complete, work will shift to revitalizing the area. This will include a new basketball court and play area, an outdoor learning area and additional green spaces. As we shared with you last week, on Thursday students engaged in a design and learning session where they provided suggestions for features that could be included in their new outdoor learning space. We are excited to see students' ideas come to life in the following months!

While work continues, please follow the posted signs around the school and consider parking a block away to ease traffic flow. Although the contractor is working hard to limit truck traffic during pick up and drop off times, we still ask you to exercise extra caution around the site.

Thank you to our entire DLG school community for your patience throughout the deconstruction process. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to the principal, Jonathan Weresch. We are looking forward to better sight lines and more green space for our school community next year.