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Dear Parent/Carer

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Re: Road Works in Stanhope

I am writing to let you know that I have had discussions with Durham County Council Highways Department this morning regarding the road works in Stanhope which have caused chaos this morning.

I was not informed of the road works until some of our team came into school this morning having parked at the Dales Centre. Durham County Council have apologised and had not realised the impact on the school. There was significant disruption to the school this morning as the carefully planned staggered start times were affected. This then had a knock on effect to the handwashing rotas and the start of lesson times – all of which was unsettling for our children who are just getting used to being back in the school routines.

Durham County Council have now agreed that the access roads to the school will remain open until 9.15am each morning this week (Wednesday, Thursday & Friday) and that the cones will not be placed across the access points until 9.15am which will give parents time to get their children to school at the allocated start times. I have been informed that it is anticipated that the road works will continue until Sunday 21st March 2021.

Unfortunately, they are unable to stop work between 3pm and 3.30pm so can I please ask parents to set off a little earlier so that you can collect your child at the usual allocated collection time.

If you have any queries or concerns regarding this plan please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Mrs D Cross
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