



**Nottingham**  
**City Council**

# Nottingham's BSF News

Welcome to the first Nottingham City Council Building Schools for the Future newsletter. We have recently set up a website for you to access information relating to our progress on developing schools across Nottingham. On the website you can find information on BSF schools, as well as Academies and Primary Schools. The website is regularly updated with progress photos and the latest information.

## The Hadden Park High School

The first stage of construction was handed over in February, two days early and was the first Nottingham BSF project to do so.



The next stage is progressing well on site. The secondary steel and windows have started to be installed and demolition is underway and on programme.

In the coming months the new walls will begin to be studded and lined, floors screeded and curtain walling installed.

## Oak Field School & Sports College

At Oak Field the structural beams have been installed in the Heart Space, masonry is progressing well across the site, first stage of mechanical & electrical works is taking place and windows are currently being installed.

The Site team are interacting well with the school with a second 'site tour movie' in the making.



## Big Wood School, Business and Enterprise College

At Big Wood School work is progressing well on site. The three teaching blocks are advancing with finishing trades now working in all of the blocks.

Scaffolding is now fully dismantled and external works around the blocks and energy centre are progressing well, in advance of the package plant room delivery.



The site continues to interact with the school and the team have

conducted site visits with both staff and pupils. Regular meetings are being held to discuss design aspects as well as the decant process in readiness for the big move into the new teaching blocks in August.

Following the success of the training course 'Get into Construction' held by the Prince's Trust last year there are site visits planned by the Trust for April where more students will be introduced to site life and the construction industry.

To see the most recently updated progress photos please visit [www.nottinghambsf.co.uk](http://www.nottinghambsf.co.uk)

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## Wave 2 continues..

### **Rosehill School,** **Centre of Excellence for Autism**

Public consultation is currently underway on proposals for the expansion, refurbishment and temporary relocation of Rosehill School which specialises in the education of children with autism. In order to minimise the disruption to pupils at the school whilst construction work takes place, the proposal is to temporarily relocate Rosehill to the site of the current Shepherd School after it closes as part of the process that sees Shepherd and Aspley Wood schools close to make way for the new Oak Field School. The team is currently engaged in developing the design with staff and pupils. This is an exciting time for the school to radically transform the way it delivers education to their children, and develop its already outstanding educational provision into a 'centre of excellence'.

## Primary Capital Programme

The Council's Primary Strategy for Change has been fully approved by the Department for Children, Schools and Families. The approval of the strategy releases £11.5 million of funding over the next two years, marking the start of a programme to enable half of the city's primary schools to be rebuilt or re-modelled over the next 14 years, subject to continued government funding. The investment will transform teaching and learning and the designs are well underway following a 12 week engagement and consultation period with teachers, governors and pupils at each of the schools. Work on the first three schools, Robin Hood Primary, Henry Whipple Primary, Greenfields Community School, is due to start in January 2010 and be completed in February 2011. Construction work is already well underway on Southwark Primary which will be a £13 million 'exemplar' primary school.

## Other Activities

The LEP team were recently involved in Nottingham's Big Litter Pick along with Aspley Wood School. The children thoroughly enjoyed themselves and it was definitely an experience for the LEP team members. Overall a great afternoon!

## Academies

As part of the Nottingham BSF project, inspiredspaces has been working hard to develop three new Academies in the city, totalling over £100m.

### **Nottingham University** **Samworth Academy (NUSA)**

will have 950 pupils and is sponsored by both the University of Nottingham and local businessman David Samworth. The contract for this all-new facility was signed in January, and construction works are now under way.



**The Bulwell Academy**, sponsored by Edge, will have 1,300 pupils. **inspiredspaces** reached financial close in early February, and construction has now commenced.

As if that wasn't enough, we have recently commenced work on **Nottingham Academy** (shown below). This will be the biggest school in Europe at a massive 3,500 pupils. It will be an 'all-through' school, including nursery, primary, secondary and post-16 education, spread across three sites. The sponsor in this case is Nottingham's highly-successful Greenwood Dale School, which last year was the 5th highest performing school in the country for the value they add between the end of primary school up to GCSE. This is a particularly remarkable achievement, given the over-crowded and poor-quality accommodation the school currently occupies.

Once complete, these Academies will provide hugely improved or brand-new facilities for 5,750 children and young people in Nottingham, something we can be proud of!



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