



SAINT ANN'S SCHOOL

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Dear Teachers and Staff,

For those of you who haven't already stopped by school in recent days I wanted to give you a quick update on the work that has been underway this summer and let you know what to expect when classes begin after Labor Day.

In the townhouses (122 and 124 Pierrepont), major demolition has been completed in 122 in preparation for the extensive renovations that will be happening there through the coming year and next summer. In 124, we moved ahead this summer with installation of a new heating system (the old boiler died of natural causes last spring), which required running piping in the front and back of the building. Our housekeeping staff has been moving as quickly as possible to ready 124 studios and classrooms for the start of the year, and contractors will be back in late September or early October to install the new radiators throughout the building. In the basement of 124 foundation work may be continuing into the first week of classes and there's likely to be some noise and dust associated with that.

In the Bosworth Building, the high school office has moved to the 3rd floor (where the finance office had been), the copy center has moved to temporary quarters on the 2nd floor (essentially where Sarah and Tom's office had been), and the space that had been occupied by the remainder of the high school office, the student center, and the 2nd floor bathrooms has been walled off so that construction of the new kitchen can go on during the coming year. Between the elevators a new wall exists for the mechanical shaft that now runs from the subbasement to the roof (for sprinklers and air ducts). Four new bathrooms have been built on the 1st and 3rd floors, and a diminished Harcourt Room will be available until February.

Frankly this will all take some getting used to, and I've bruised my nose and toes more than once this summer by running into walls in unexpected places! We'll be sending periodic updates in the coming weeks to keep you apprised of anything that might affect our normal routines after the start of school. You will find the most up-to-date plans for the townhouses and Bosworth Building on our website at: <http://saintannsny.org/2015/05/learn-progress-facilities/>

Elsewhere our buildings and grounds and housekeeping staff have done great work in preparing us for the year ahead. Classrooms from the upper floors of the Bosworth Building to Willow Place have been thoroughly cleaned; lots of painting and polishing has been finished in the Farber



Building; new sinks are being installed this week in each of the Henry St. classrooms; the offices that moved to the Parish House are settled into their new spaces; and the "Rotunda" space adjacent to the Plaza classrooms is now online for classes, music rehearsals and performances, exhibitions, and gatherings.

I can't wait to see you all on September 8th, if not before!

Yours,

Vince