



In our new school.....

We want to make sure our students get the best possible deal we can provide them with. We want them to be well equipped to be successful in a rapidly changing society. We recognise that we are educating them for jobs that may not yet exist and to solve problems that we have not yet thought of. We know our curriculum and our school of the future needs to be flexible and able to adapt to social, economic and technological change.

We fully understand that our teaching methods and styles must constantly develop to meet the needs of our learners. We intend to offer a wide range of teaching styles and learning opportunities which support and challenge all students' strengths, interests and preferences. Developing our Personalised Learning agenda will be a key driver to our success.

Our new building will be about transforming the learning experience to meet the demands and challenges of the future. We want all our students to learn, achieve, succeed and to become well rounded citizens able to take responsibility and play a full part in society.

How?...

Hyde Technology School is part of the Tameside Wave 3 BSF project. It will be completely re-built on the south end of the site where the Redgras currently are. During the building process we will continue to occupy the original school buildings. There will be an impact on external space but this will be carefully managed.

Building is proposed to commence in autumn 2009 and take around 18months to complete. The plan is to complete the building by summer 2011. Once the building is finished we will all relocate into it. The original building will then be demolished and the area landscaped to provide sports facilities and external play and social areas.

A core team of governors and staff works very closely with the design team on the plans for the new school. A number of students are also involved and students are kept updated through assemblies and the student council. We hope to publish plans showing the external lay out very shortly. The school will be built for 1230 students in total (210 per year group = 1050 + Post 16 of 180). The Post 16 centre will be part of the new building and should open its doors for the first time to Post 16 students on 01st September 2011.

We will hold a stake-holders' evening to look at the plans in the summer term. All views will be welcomed as we wish to develop a school fit to meet the needs of our community over the next 30-40 years.

We hope you are as excited as we are. The future is bright for Hyde Technology School.