

15th April 2026

To: Princes Risborough School, All Students, Parents & Carers

Ref: Power Failure Update

Dear Students, Parents and Carers,

Thank you for your patience whilst we have been working hard to resolve the electrical power failure we experienced during the Easter break.

As you know from my last letter, our temporary solution has ensured continuity of power to the areas affected in Technology, SEND, English and MFL, totalling to 20 classrooms. This has ensured continuity of learning in all areas. With effect from Friday 24th April, we will be working to implement our permanent solution which will require part-excavation of the lower playground. The lower playground will be out of bounds, apart from the covered area until Thursday 7th May. It will be securely fenced with signage directing access and fire routes. For Health and Safety reasons ball games will be strictly prohibited in this space.

With careful planning we have managed to schedule all major digging, construction and electrical remedial works to take place out of hours. There will be some low-level noise around the area, but disruption will be kept to a minimum. I am delighted to report that there will be no downtime, no re-rooming of classrooms and our school will continue to operate as usual, including exams that will continue without interruption.

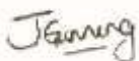
However, because of these critical works our plans for our new 3G Pitch and MUGA build have been temporarily postponed. I am working with our funder and the wider project team to confirm revised start dates. I will update you when I have more information.

I would like to offer thanks to all our incredible students and staff who have shown resilience, adaptability and positivity when faced with the changes we have had to implement to ensure continuity of power. I would also like to thank those who have reached out to offer support – it is greatly appreciated.

I am confident the works will be completed on time and we will be operating as usual with effect from Thursday 7th May.

If you do have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school office and me or a member of my team will respond. Thank you for your understanding during this time.

Yours sincerely



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