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Dear parent/carer

I am writing to inform you that, due to extensive repairs needed to Allanton Primary School, pupils and staff will move temporarily to Dykehead Primary School from Tuesday 19 October while the work is carried out.

I know the entire school community at Dykehead will do everything you can to make pupils and staff feel welcomed and at home during their time here.

A technical inspection has identified that repairs are necessary to areas of Allanton Primary’s external school walls and some of the internal supporting timber frame.

The repairs need to be carried out as soon as possible and we can only do the work while the school building is empty.

There are around 80 pupils currently attending Allanton Primary School and Dykehead has the capacity to welcome and accommodate these children and staff.

The decision to move the school temporarily while the work is carried out is to ensure the safety and wellbeing of pupils and staff, which is our number one priority.

I appreciate this may come as a surprise to you, but everyone is working hard to ensure everything possible is done to minimise the disruption to all pupils’ daily teaching and learning.

At this stage, I cannot say how long the repairs will take but we will update you as soon as the timescales and situation become clearer.

A web page has been set up at [www.northlanarkshire.gov.uk/allantonprimary](http://www.northlanarkshire.gov.uk/allantonprimary) where all information will be posted.

Yours sincerely

Anne Munro

**Head of Education (South)**