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Dear Parkview Neighbors,

Thanks to our voter-approved bond, improvements to Parkview Elementary will begin this summer and continue throughout the 2015-16 school year. The improvements consist of:

- Water line improvements within the City Right-of Way along Coolidge Drive that will improve flow to the fire hydrants serving the school and our neighbors.
- Sewer line improvements on the school property.
- A new 5,800 square foot, single-story addition to the existing school that includes a new cafeteria, kitchen, music classroom/stage, restrooms, and storage.
- A new 2,600 square foot covered play area.
- 500 square feet of renovation inside the existing building consisting of restroom renovations and new suspended ceiling grid inside and existing interior walkway.
- New finishes in the existing gymnasium.

Faber Construction, based in Lynden, has been awarded the construction contract. Although we have not previously worked with Faber, they have completed a number of successful school and public works projects with Snohomish School District, La Conner School District, Western Washington University and the City of Ferndale and we are very excited that they are the contractor for this project.

Faber understands the issues related to doing school work in neighborhoods and will work hard to minimize noise and traffic impacts. As we've discussed at our neighborhood meetings, we acknowledge that there will be temporary noise and increased traffic associated with construction and construction vehicles. Work on the new fire water main along Coolidge may result in some traffic modifications. In addition, since we have a fast timeline for this project, we anticipate construction hours outside of the standard 40-hour work week at times but within the city ordinance.

Some of the first few activities you can expect to see are construction surveying, construction staking and construction fencing. This is a reminder, that for your safety, do not enter the construction site by circumventing the fence. Fire water main work in the city right-of-way along Coolidge Drive will start soon and be completed this summer before school starts and traffic increases on Coolidge.

The playground with the climbing toys, outside of the construction fence, will be available for use for the duration of the project.

You can view photos, floor plans, meeting minutes, meeting presentations and the work of our Parkview Design Advisory Group webpage which included staff, families, community/neighbor representatives, on our website at bellingshamschools.org. See Facilities Projects and Parkview. Soon you can also view the site by clicking on the Project Camera, which shows construction activities and progress.

As construction begins and continues, please give us a call at 676-6500 (Ron or Curtis) or 676-6443 (Mylo) if you have questions or concerns. If a project update meeting would be helpful at any point, please let us know. There is a lot of excitement about this project and we want it to go smoothly. We'll continue to communicate with you throughout the project until we're able to celebrate the opening together.

Thank you and have a great summer,



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