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# Oxford Academy Newsletter

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would like to thank the local residents for their continued patience and assistance, as we carry out the building works for the Oxford Academy. We will endeavour to keep any disturbances to a minimum, however due to the nature of the works, it is likely that some issues will nevertheless arise.

## Community Issues

We have also introduced a system where as far as possible, deliveries will be arranged to arrive before 8 am, between 9.30 am and 3.00 pm and then after 4.00pm to avoid disruption to pupils attending the School and local traffic. This should help to reduce congestion on the entrance to The Oxford Academy at the peak times.

Residents might also be interested in the news that during the demolition phase of this project, Willmott Dixon discovered a Saxon Villa, underneath the site of The Oxford Academy. As is procedure for a project of this sort, Archaeological experts were brought in to examine the site before works commenced. The experts expected to find evidence of Roman pottery, as this used to be prevalent in the area. However they were surprised to find a sunken Saxon house, which is believed to be the first of its kind to be discovered in South Oxford.



If you would like to discuss any issues, please feel to contact our Operations Manager, Matt Brooks, at our site office.



## Current Progress

Work for this project commenced in April 2009. The initial phases included demolition works to the existing buildings, connecting the drainage systems, service diversions, and preparing the ground. Works on site currently include the formation of foundations and ground floor slabs, with piling works also ongoing.

In terms of future works, the columns to the first floor of the science and teaching blocks commenced at the beginning of September. The steel frame to the sports hall will be erected from the end of September, and take approximately five weeks. Also, the timber frame to the Mabel Pritchard building will be erected at the start of 2010, and take approximately four weeks.



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