

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY PANEL

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Update on the build of full production kitchens in remaining primary schools and PRU to end transported meals

The Education Catering Service successfully bid for and was awarded Exceptional Capital Grant funding from the DfE (formerly DCSF) in 2008 to install full production kitchens in all primary schools and the PRU. The project was required to be completed by no later than 31 August 2011 with the majority being completed in years 209/10.

The following schools were having the builds and installations undertaken this year with the bulk of the work taking place during the Summer break and will be operational at the commencement of the Term One (05 September 2011): -

School	Nature of works	Previous service	Completion date
Drake Primary School	Full production kitchen	Regen Unit	26/08/11
Plaistow Hill Infants School	Full production kitchen	Transported Meals	02/09/11
Prince Rock Primary School	Full production kitchen & dining hall	Regen Unit	02/09/11
Stuart Road Primary School	Full production kitchen	Regen Unit	26/08/11
Weston Mill Primary School	Full production kitchen & dining hall	Regen Unit	19/08/11

There will be a need to continue to transport food from St Budeaux Foundation School to Plaistow Hill for a short period during September due to a delay in the appointment of a kitchen manager. This has been fully consulted and agreed with the school and the full service will be operational by no later than Monday 03 October 2011.

From this point, there will be no infant, junior, primary or special schools in receipt of or requiring transported meals. All schools will be preparing and cooking hot food, freshly prepared on site using local and seasonal ingredients on a daily basis.

The provision of the kitchen at the PRU in Martins Gate was removed from the original project and included as part of the overall scheme of works in Martins Gate. To accommodate the full range of works involved, the kitchen will be complete and operational by the end of October 2011.

In the interim, a small number of meals will need to continue to be provided and transported to the remaining PRU's.

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