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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am sorry to be contacting you at this time. As you know, since we returned from the spring holiday, precautionary checks of our building have been carried. Two issues with walls in the stairwell and our small gym were identified. As a result of further investigations by engineers, additional issues in the atrium have been identified.

Further surveys are now being carried out that will continue through the weekend and into next week. Unfortunately the school cannot continue as normal for our young people. A significant part of the school will have restricted access due to ongoing work. We are now putting in place the following contingency plans.

- **Pupils sitting SQA exams are our priority.** We plan to continue to run these in areas of the school that are unaffected. Please be assured that these areas are safe for our young people. I understand that this situation may cause additional concern to pupils. We are doing everything we can to minimise disruption to them.
- All young people sitting exams should report to reception where they will be directed to appropriate accommodation.
- **The school will be closed to pupils in S1-3 from Monday 9th up to and including Thursday 12th May.** We are working with colleagues across Stirling Council to identify alternative provision as required. I will update you early next week to share detailed arrangements.

Apologies for the inevitable disruption this causes. Please be assured that we are putting the safety of our young people at the heart of our planning.

Thank you for your support and understanding at this difficult time.

Yours faithfully,

Elaine Bannatyne