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Dear Families,

Re: Solar Projects for Shacklewell and Grazebrook

I am delighted to be able to share and indeed celebrate the news that both Grazebrook and Shacklewell have been awarded a total of £270,000 to install solar panels on the roof of the school buildings. This money has been awarded to us due to the immense hard work of two parents from our school communities. We are hugely indebted to Liam Dystant (Shacklewell) and Kelly Sullivan (Grazebrook) for their hard work in making the bid to London Legacy Development Cooperation (LLDC) for the award.

They both worked extremely hard over a very long period of time to ensure the application for these funds. We would all like to express our sincere gratitude and look forward to working in partnership with them, alongside Hackney Education Property team. It is our hope and intention that the solar panels can be installed by the end of this academic year.

We believe this is an excellent opportunity for both schools not only to benefit financially from renewable green energy but also to use this wonderful achievement as a means to inspire, engage and educate our pupils in the importance of green energy solutions and sustainability for the future of our world. As you can imagine our pupils and their Student Eco Councillors are very excited about this new project. There will be curriculum projects for pupils at all New Wave schools on the various stages of the installation of the solar panels.

I would also like to set up a federation of strategic Eco Councillors to work collaboratively on green issues across the federation of schools. This could consist of members of staff and interested families from both schools. This body may also assist us with possible further funding awards as well new curriculum initiatives. I will be writing to you in the coming weeks about how you can get involved with this.

Finally, on behalf of the Governors, parents, pupils and staff we would like to thank Kelly and Liam, for bringing this green bounty to Grazebrook and Shacklewell schools. At a time when school budgets are being tightly squeezed, winning a large award such as this is very much appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

Nicole Reid
Executive Headteacher