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BACKGROUND

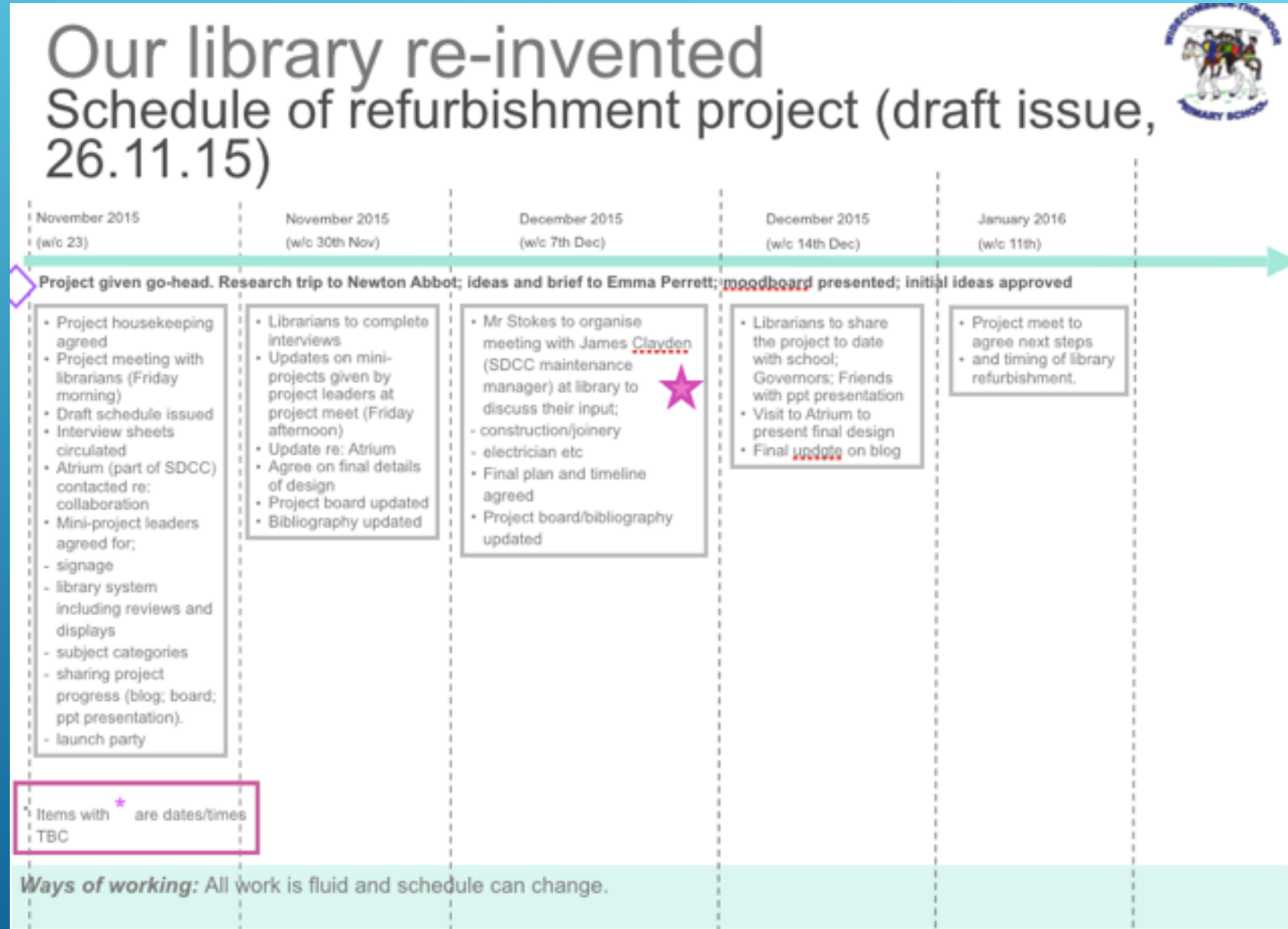
- The school library was identified as the one big ‘thing’ everyone wanted to change and refresh
- The project given go-ahead by Mr Stokes
- ‘Friends of Widecombe School’ began fund-raising for the library
- Year 6 librarians went to visit other local libraries to gather ideas
- Mr Stokes asked for a parent to help steer the project
- A mood-board was put together to spark ideas
- A first project group meeting was held back in late November 2015



PROJECT TIMELINE

- We started our project at the end of November and have got lots done

- *Conducted stakeholder interviews*
- *Met with SDCC maintenance team*
- *Agreed the design*



OUR AGREED VISION AND AMBITION

To re-imagine the existing school library space in an economic but exciting way.

Adapting it with imagination and creating a library that acts as a powerful magnet and becomes a real destination point for all members of the school.

Drawing people together to discover, share and read new *and* classic books on all kinds of subjects, telling all sorts of stories.

Giving everyone at school the chance to fall in love with words and with reading.

STAKEHOLDER INTERVIEWS

- We wanted to find out from as many people as we could, what they felt about the library
- We wanted to know;
 - *how they used it*
 - *when they used it*
 - *what they wanted to keep*
 - *what they wanted to change*
- We all interviewed between 4-6 pupils from all classes
- We also interviewed teachers, teaching assistants, Mrs Low and Colin



THE DESIGN – WHERE WE ARE NOW

- We are creating two rooms in one – using a partition wall to create a separate ‘quiet’ Reading Room
- A new ‘work bench’ for quiet study
- New shelving and racks for books
- Fresh white paint everywhere and wallpaper in Reading Room
- Blackboard wall for inspiring book recommendations
- New lighting
- New seating, cushions and rugs
- Loft access for ‘Friends’ storage
- A new library signing in/out system
- If we’re lucky...some new books



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COLLABORATING WITH ATRIUM

- Atrium is the brand new Studio School in the SDCC campus
- It is for students in Years 9-13 who aspire to work in the Built Environment (Architecture, Interior Design, Construction, Ecology, Structural Engineering, Surveying and Planning).
- We have asked Atrium for their help and input in bringing our library ideas to life
- We are hoping they will produce a model of the new space as we have designed it
- This will help;
 - *help visualise the concept for everyone*
 - *help convince potential sponsors of concept*
 - *help the building team plan the project*




BUDGET & FUNDRAISING

- We are currently working on a final budget
- In the meantime, 'Friends' have been really busy raising money to support our final design and ideas such as the Christmas fundraiser and sale of Christmas cards
- They will also use this presentation to help seek more funding from local businesses



NEW BOOKS & NEW BOOKING OUT SYSTEM

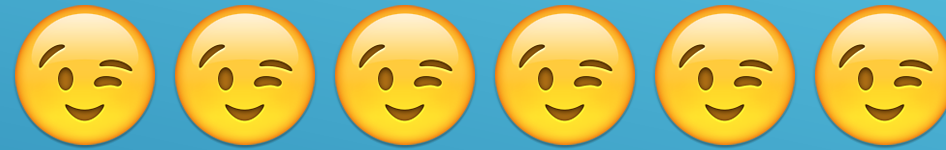
- We also hope to take this opportunity to buy some new books for the library
 - To update and refresh the titles in both the fiction and non-fiction areas of the library
 - We also need a new system - as so many books get lost or are not returned
 - Two local library experts have said they will come in and talk to us over the next month about *smart, practical and easy* ways of tracking books in and out of the library
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NEXT STEPS FOR 2016

- Work with Atrium to bring to life ideas
- Agree a budget and secure funding
- Agree project build date
- Clear library for works to begin (mid-February is the aim)
- Purchase materials and new products
- Building works take place (2-3 days)
- Launch party!



THE END!!!!



THANKS FOR WATCHING!

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- Any questions?

