

CONSULTATION ON CHANGING THE SCHOOL DAY TIMINGS

24/05/18

Dear Parent / Guardian,

As a school, we have started to discuss the possibility of changing our school day to finish at 15:10 as opposed to 15:20. Naturally, we value the views and opinions of our parents and would welcome any written responses to this recommendation by Monday the 11th June 2018.

Current Timings	Activity	Proposed Timings
08:30 – 09:00	Registration / Assembly	08:30 – 09:00
09:00 – 09:50	Lesson 1	09:00 – 09:50
09:50 – 10:40	Lesson 2	09:50 – 10:40
10:40 – 11:00	Break	10:40 – 11:00
11:00 – 11:50	Lesson 3	11:00 – 11:50
11:50 – 12:40	Lesson 4	11:50 – 12:40
12:40 – 13:40	Lunch	12:40 – 13:30
13:40 – 14:30	Lesson 5	13:30 – 14:20
14:30 – 15:20	Lesson 6	14:20 – 15:10
15:20	End of School Day	15:10

It is clear from the table that the main change will be reducing the lunch break from 60 to 50 minutes, which is similar to lunch periods in many schools, both locally and nationally.

Having discussed with schools that have already made the change, we see several possible positive advantages:

- Starting after school extra-curricular activities earlier;
- Less disruption for staff and pupils that participate in extra-curricular activities during lesson 6;
- As a result, more pupils participating in extra-curricular activities in and outside of school;
- Pupils that walk to school being able to leave earlier and arrive home before dark during the winter months;
- Lessen pupil boredom at the end of lunch breaks;
- Pupils' levels of concentration improving during the afternoon session;
- Pace of learning improving throughout the day;
- Improving our pupils' time management;
- Still ensuring enough time for departments to provide extra-curricular activities (clubs, revision, homework...) and enough time for pupils to enjoy lunch;

The main disadvantage we can see is enough time for pupils to attend clubs or activities and still have enough time to enjoy lunch. Following a consultation with all school staff, departments are confident they can still provide the same number of clubs and of the same quality within 50 minutes compared to the current 60 minutes.



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We are looking to start these new proposed timings from September 2018. As a result, we would welcome any comments on the matter which will be discussed with the School Governing Body next month. Please use the slip below to share any comments and return to the school by Monday the 11th June 2018.

Yours sincerely,

Simon Davies
Head

Pupils' Name: _____ Form: _____

Comments:

Parent / Guardian signature: _____



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