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Dear Parent/Carer,

Changes to the timing of the school day from September 2023

For those of you who may not be aware, the government's White Paper sets out an expectation for all mainstream state-funded schools to provide a school week of at least 32.5 hours by September 2023.

[Length of the school week: minimum expectation - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk)

At present, our school day runs from 8:45am - 3:05pm. This works out at 6 hours and 20 minutes per day and a total of 31 hours and 40 minutes per week. This is therefore 50 minutes short of the government expectation.

For this reason, we will be extending the school day by 10 minutes per day from September 2023.

The new school day will run from 8.40am - 3.10pm. This will be for all children from Reception to Year 6.

This would mean a slight change to registration, with doors closing at 8.55am and formal lessons beginning. Children must be inside their classroom by 8.55am. Anyone arriving after this time would need to enter via the main office doors and would be marked as late - *please refer to our Attendance and Punctuality Policy.*


Pre-Nursery and Nursery timings remain unchanged - as set out below.

Morning session: 8.30am - 11.30am

Afternoon session: 12.15pm - 3.15pm

Should you wish to discuss the content of this letter further, please do not hesitate to contact me at school.

Kind Regards,



Miss L. Furness
Headteacher

