



May 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

Re: Timings of the School Day

As you are aware at the start of this academic year we changed the structure of the school day from four lessons to five in order to maintain the broad curriculum offer across all key stages.

In order to ensure a calm environment and maintain reasonable comfort breaks we have decided to make a few changes to the timings of the school day. This should also allow students to digest their learning better in the middle of the day and arrive to lessons not feeling too rushed. It is important to note that there are no fundamental changes to the morning and afternoon routines from a parent perspective, the changes are largely in relation to breaks and transition time.

After May half term we will be trialling the new structure of the day, as follows:

Arrive at School 7.45am				Arrive at School for 8.45am Lessons begin at 9.00am			
Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday				Tuesday			
	Time	Mins	Break/ Transition		Time	Mins	Break/ Transition
Period 1	8.00 - 9.00	60		Period 1 Staff Training			
Lesson Transition			5				
Period 2	9.05 - 10.05	60		Period 2	9.00 - 10.00	60	
Lesson Transition			5	Lesson Transition			5
Tutor	10.10 - 10.25	15		ELS	10.05 - 10.35	30	
Break			20	Break			10
Period 3	10.45 - 11.45	60		Period 3	10.45 - 11.45	60	
Lesson Transition			5	Lesson Transition			5
Period 4	11.50 - 12.50	60		Period 4	11.50 - 12.50	60	
Lunch			40	Lunch			40
Period 5	13.30 - 14.30	60		Period 5	13.30 - 14.30	60	

Please note particularly the different timings on Tuesday to allow our Essential Life Skills curriculum to be taught effectively. There will be no food on sale during the 10 minute break on Tuesday. It is important to encourage children to come prepared at the start of the day either having had breakfast at home or to use the breakfast facility that is available every day from 7.00am in the school canteen. Food for morning break can also be bought at this time.

The menu for the school canteen and other food outlets can be found on our [school website](#).

Thank you for your support with this, I am sure your child will welcome the transition breaks, and the focused Essential Life Skills sessions on a Tuesday.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'David Bailey', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

David Bailey
Headteacher