

Dear Parents/Carers,

### Extending the School Day

You may have heard in the news that the government are now expecting mainstream schools to extend their school day to a minimum of 32.5 hours. It is becoming compulsory by September 2023 and we are required to report on our total weekly figure in the Spring Census and through our website. Currently we do 30 hours, this includes break and lunchtime.

As you are aware our official starting time currently is 8.45 am when the classroom doors open to the children and our finish time is 3 pm. Our Junior School adjusted and extended their school day this current academic year and their start time is now 8.40am with a finish time of 3.10 pm.

In order to meet the minimum requirements, set by the Government, and also to accommodate parents who have children to drop off at both schools, we are advising you of the new timings which will be implemented in the Infant and Nursery School with effect from September 2023.

The school's new official starting time will be 8.35am and the finish of the school day will be 3.05pm. Gates will be open from 8.30am. These times will be adjusted on the school's website and this letter is early notification of the changes.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs P Agate

Executive Headteacher