

Proposed change to the configuration of the school day – January 2023

We are proposing that the day is altered so that the school day for children starts at 9:00 am, with a 45-minute lunch break. The school day would end at 3pm.

	Current times	Proposed changes
Start time	9am	9am
Playtime	10.30 – 10.45am (P1, P6 & P7)	10.30 – 10.45am (P1, P6 & P7)
	10.45 – 11.00 am (P2, P3, P4 & P5)	10.45 – 11.00 am (P2, P3, P4 & P5)
Lunchtime	P6 & P7 12-1pm	P6 & P7 12-12.45pm
	P1, P2 & P3 12.30 – 1.30 pm	P1, P2 & P3 12.30 – 1.15 pm
	P4, P5 & P6 1.00 - 2.00pm	P4, P5 & P6 1.00 – 1.45 pm
End of school	3.15pm	Зрт

The rationale for this is as follows:-

- We have a number of children who find the school lunchtime difficult and cannot sustain positive behaviour in the playground for prolonged periods of time. By shortening the lunch break we would reduce the potential for exclusions and create a more enjoyable experience for the children. If lunchtimes are calmer this also has an impact on the learning environment in school in the afternoon.
- 2. A shorter lunchtime means that PSAs, EYPs and the children have less time in an often very cold playground and often wet playground

We are aware that the Lads Club After School Club does not pick up the children until 3.15. Those children who attend the after-school club would be supervised by school staff until 3.15.

We are keen to collect parents' views on this proposal, please complete the google form at the link below by Monday 5th of December if you wish to comment on this.

https://forms.gle/pAkYwb5TVJDqVfmg7

We will let you know the outcome of the consultation in due course.