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Dear Parents/Carers

I am writing to inform you of some changes to the times of our school day from September 2024. This is in line with the Government's White Paper of March 2022 and DfE's "Minimum expectation on length of the school week" information note, which state that schools should be open a minimum of 32.5 hours per week.

To ensure that we comply with this expectation, we are proposing to extend the school day by 10 minutes. As always, your input is valued so we asked for you to vote on a series of options. This vote was also put to staff and Governors. Option 1 was most popular so that is what we are going with.

Current school day

Doors open	8:40am
Start time	8.55am
Finish time	3.15pm

New school day from September 2024

Gates open	8.35am
Doors open	8.40am
Doors Close and school starts	8.45am
School finishes	3.15pm

This extra time will be used to support and develop students in a variety of different areas such as phonics, literacy and maths. This extra time may also be used for targeted interventions to help your child to make greater progress. We appreciate some may need to change routine but as this is a necessary change, we think these changes will have the least impact.

Anyone arriving after the doors and gates are closed at 8.45am will be late.

Yours faithfully,