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Dear Parents/Carers

Re: Extended school day from September 2024

I wrote to you back in March regarding an upcoming change to the school week this coming September. I want to thank you for your valuable feedback during the recent consultation regarding the proposed extension of the school day. As stated in my previous consultation letter, the Department for Education have released guidance to schools to ensure that all schools are delivering a minimum of 32.5 hours per week. As a school we currently fall short of the 32.5 hours per week by 50 minutes per week, equating to an additional 10 minutes each day.

After carefully considering all viewpoints, including those of parents, staff, and other stakeholders, we have made the decision to facilitate the extension of the school day commencing from September 2024. Therefore, the next academic year 2024/2025, the school will open its doors at 8:20 a.m. to facilitate a prompt start at 8:30 a.m. The school day will now conclude at normal time of 3:00 p.m.

We would like to thank you once again for your collaboration and support throughout this consultation process. Together, we can continue to create an environment where every student thrives and achieves their full potential.

Please see the link to the guidance below: -

DfE School Guidance

Yours sincerely

Henry Holland Vice Principal

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