

Thursday, 9th March 2023 REF: School Day September 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing to inform you of some proposed changes to the structure of the school day at Benton Park. They are:

- Lengthening the school day to maximise learning and include an extra lesson.
- Including a morning meeting session for Year 7-11 students to support with their learning.
- Formally including transition times between lessons to support movement of students.
- Lengthening break time to support students' social times.

The following table shows how each day will run:

Time	Session
08:20-09:00	Morning Meeting
09:00-09:50	Period 1
09:55-10:45	Period 2
10:45-11:05	Break
11:05-11:55	Period 3
12:00-12:50	Period 4
12:50-13:20	Year 7/8/11/12/13 Lunch
13:20-14:10	Year 7/8/11/12/13 Period 5
12:50-13:40	Year 9/10 Period 5
13:40-14:10	Year 9/10 Lunch
14:10-15:00	Period 6

Under these new school times, students should be on site from 08:15am ready to begin their learning from 08:20am.

The changes will come into force for the new academic year 2023/24. We will write to you closer to the time with the start of term arrangements.

I believe that these changes will be beneficial to the school community, and will have a positive effect on your child's education. These changes will result in an extra lesson for all students every day, which is the equivalent of an extra week in school every half-term.

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The information in this letter has also been sent to the school bus company and the local authority. We will make sure to work together so that there is minimal disruption.

I appreciate that these changes may affect you in terms of childcare or working arrangements, and in terms of your child's education. For this reason, I would like to invite you to give your feedback by sending your response to <u>School Day Feedback</u> by 3pm on 31st March 2023.

We will release the results of the feedback in April 2023 via our usual communication channels.

Yours sincerely,

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