

TLA / GPA

26th May 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

Timings of the school day

After half-term, we will be making some changes to the timings of the school day. We have chosen to continue operating different start times and finishing times for different year groups, as well as staggered breaks and lunch times, to keep year group bubbles separate, as recommended. However, with only small numbers of Year 11 students on site, we do have an opportunity to remove the need for us to split Period 4 for any year group. Whilst this has served a purpose in maintaining a Covid-safe environment and has worked well this year, we are keen to minimise disruption to the school day if we can.

Timings of the day for each year group **from Monday 7th June** will therefore be as follows:

	Year 7 & Year 8	Year 9 & Year 10
Morning Tutorial	8:30am – 8:45am	8:40am – 8:45am
Break	10:25am – 10:45am	10:45am – 11:05am
Lunch	12:05pm – 12:40pm	1:05pm – 1:40pm
Afternoon Tutorial	2:45pm – 3:00pm	2:45pm – 3:10pm
Day ends at	3:00pm	3:10pm

It is anticipated that we will be able to go back to the normal school timings from September 2021, so we hope that by making these slight changes now, we will support the current Year 7 cohort in getting used to starting and ending the school day a little later.

Please familiarise yourself with the revised timings of the school day after half-term. Whilst this information will be shared with students during tutorial time this week, it is essential that they are fully aware of their start and end times particularly, since we have been noticing a recent slight increase in students arriving late to school.

Designated year group areas will continue to be in place for each cohort during break and lunch times. For Years 7, 9 and 10, these will be exactly as at present, but Year 8 will now occupy what was previously the Key Stage 4 space, stretching from the canteen, around the Maths block to the tennis courts, and the section of field beyond. Students will be informed of exactly which areas they can utilise and which are their allocated toilets, during the coming week.

I should like to offer my thanks, as always, for your fabulous support as we approach the end of this incredibly busy half-term. I trust everyone in our school community will enjoy a well-deserved week off - there is even the prospect of some long-awaited warmer weather and sunshine forecast for the first week of June which I hope we can all enjoy.

Yours sincerely,



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