

21st October 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

As our first half term draws to a close, we need to share some very important information regarding the timings of the school day that will start immediately after the October half term.

In the first term back we concentrated on putting systems in place to adhere to the DfE Covid guidance including year group bubbles. This has been very successful. Now that we know our systems work, we have decided to slightly alter the times of the school day in order to increase the learning time for your child. With this in mind, **all students will now be expected to arrive at school by 8:40am**. The students will then go to their normal period one lesson at **8:50am**. All walk ways and bubble areas will remain the same.

The staggered leaving times from different zones in the school have also worked well. In order to streamline this a little further, two year groups will leave at the same time from their respective separate zones. All students must wear their face masks on arrival and departure until they exit the main school gates.

The end times for the changes are:-

Staggered finish times (Mon-Thu)	(Y7 & Y8) 2:25pm	(Y9 & Y10) 2:30pm	(Y11)-2:35pm
Staggered finish time (Friday)	(Y11) 1:30pm	(Y9 & Y10) 1:35pm	(Y7 & Y8) 1:40pm

From Monday to Thursday, Year 7 & 8 will leave at 2:25pm, Year 9 & 10 at 2:30pm and Year 11 at 2:35pm. On a Friday, Year 11 will leave at 1:30pm, Year 9 & 10 at 1:35pm and Year 7 & 8 at 1:40pm.

In addition, we are now able to offer an extensive range of extra-curricular activities to our students whilst keeping within their Year group bubble. Please find a copy of the programme attached. Students can only attend a session, which is allocated to their Year group. If your child is attending a sporting extra-curricular activity, they are allowed to wear their PE kit on that day for school.

If you have any questions or concerns please don't hesitate to contact us. Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely



Mrs J S Bridges
Principal