



Moorlands Church of England Primary Academy

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Dear Parent/Carer

We are constantly trying to improve the quality and breadth of provision in the school and are looking at all ways of doing this, both individually and in consultation with other agencies including DNEAT, Ofsted and the Regional Schools Commissioner.

Therefore we are proposing to change the times of the school day from September 2018 in order to shorten the afternoon for our pupils. The proposal is that the nursery and reception will finish at 2:45, with the rest of the school finishing at 3:00. The school lunchtime would also be slightly shortened to 45 minutes. The start of the day at 8:40 will remain the same for the main school with the nursery starting 15 minutes earlier at 8:45. There are several reasons for making these changes;

- Currently the school day is significantly longer than recommended, according to previous recommendations from the DfE
- Parental feedback suggests that it would be better for the start and finish times of the school and nursery to be closer together
- This will bring us into line with most other primary settings
- Pupils will have a slightly shortened afternoon which means their concentration will be sustained, with only a slight reduction in teaching time.

We realise that any change can result in challenges however hopefully you will agree that there are clear benefits to your children by implementing this. We now propose to open a consultation period that will run until the end of April and we would welcome any comments. These should be emailed to enquiries@moorlands.norfolk.sch.uk.

Kind regards

K Lee
Head Teacher