



Moorlands Church of England Primary Academy

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Dear Parent/Carer

Changes to the School Day September 2018

I am writing to you to outline changes to the school day, which will take effect from September.

The initial proposal for changing the times of the day was outlined in the letter of 27th March and has now gone through the full consultation process with parents, Governors and DNEAT trustees. We had 10 parental replies in total and these individuals will receive specific answers to any concerns that they may have raised.

The new arrangements are as follows:

- nursery and reception will finish at 2:45, with the rest of the school finishing at 3:00.
- The school lunchtime will be slightly shortened to 45 minutes.
- The start of the day at 8:40 will remain the same for the main school, with nursery starting at 8:45.

As explained in the letter in March there are several reasons for making these changes;

- Currently the school day is significantly longer than recommended, according to previous guidance 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 these changes may have an impact on collection arrangements and we have also adjusted the times of the after school club to go some way to mitigating this. Full details of these changes will be sent out in a separate letter.

Please note, we start back on **5th September 2018**, apart from Reception and Nursery who start on the 6th September 2018.

Yours sincerely

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