

PARENT CONSULTATION - CHANGE OF SCHOOL DAY – November / December 2022

In March 2022 the government made it clear that by September 2023 at the latest, all state-funded, mainstream schools will be expected to provide a compulsory school week of at least 32.5 hours. We currently run on 31 hours and 15 minutes. We need to increase our provision by 1 hour and 15 minutes per week.

We consulted staff and then followed it with this consultation with parents.

Following an initial consultation with staff there are two models proposed:

Earlier start - 8.30

Later finish - 15.15

Survey data

62 responses received from parents.

Q1. Which model of the school day do you prefer?

- 1 - Earlier start (8.30 - every day) 26
- 2 - Later finish (15.15 - every day) 34
- no preference 2



This is a pretty even split between an earlier start at 8.30 or a later finish at 15.15.

Q2. Possible suggestions for another model

There were 12 responses to this. There were two other models offered by two respondents:

1. Extending 1 day
2. Extending 4 days and having a shorter Friday

The other comments were on what to do with the extra time rather than another model. The main suggestion was to include a longer lunchtime.

Q3 - Questions

In total there were 6 further comments. There was a comment on whether the buses would be still run, when would parents be informed and a couple of reasons why an earlier or later finish would suit the parent's child.

Once the Leadership team of the school and governors have considered all the responses then a decision will be communicated to the whole school community next term.