

4 October 2017

Dear Parent/carer

You will be aware that the academy recently held a consultation regarding the following proposal:

To change the current early finish on a Friday (1.30pm) to be in line with the current finishing time of the rest of the week (Reception and KS1 - 3.15pm / KS2 - 3.20pm).

At the close of the consultation, the academy had received 25 responses from parents. 100% of responses were in favour of the proposal and all also wanted the change to be in place as soon as possible (which was after the October break).

The current Local Governing Body (LGB) met this week to consider the consultation responses. **I am pleased to announce that it has agreed to change the academy day (in line with the proposal above) from week beginning Monday 6 November.**

To clarify, the first impact of this change (from a 1.30pm finish to a 3.15pm / 3.20pm finish) will be on Friday 10 November.

Other comments

In the free text box a number of parents also expressed views regarding other aspects of the academy. The most frequent comments were regarding:

- Lunch times
- Ensuring the additional learning time was used effectively
- The quality of the current school meals.

Whilst this consultation was solely about the early Friday finish, the LGB will take the additional comments into account and look to address parental concerns as we move forward. Your voice is important to the LGB, and future developments will try to encompass that more effectively e.g. the addition of parents onto the LGB, as well as the creation of a Parents' Forum group. More information regarding these initiatives will be circulated in due course.

Finally, the LGB would like to thank parents for their engagement in the consultation as well as their attendance at the recent Parental Information Evenings.

Regards

John White
Chair of the LGB

