



## GUISELEY SCHOOL

24 May 2019

Dear Parent/Carer

The Headteacher and Governing body are proposing to alter the shape of the school day with effect from 01 September 2019. We are writing to you as a part of the consultation process. The changes, alongside the rationale for change, are set out below. We have gone through the process of consulting staff and Governors at the School and would like to take on board your views before putting in place any changes for September.

As we undergo a building programme we are looking to make these changes so as to mitigate any impact that the building programme may have whilst maximising student progress and wellbeing.

The table below shows the new timetable and times of the day:

Period	Times
Registration/ Assembly	08:30 – 08:50
Period 1	08:50 – 09:50
Period 2	09:50 – 10:50
Morning Break	10:50 – 11:10
Period 3	11:10 – 12:10
Period 4	12:10 – 13:10
Lunch	13:10 – 13:50
Period 5	13:50 – 14:50 – School Finishes

Change	Rationale
Earlier start time	This will allow students to have a meaningful period of time in form time each morning and assembly time; which is essential for students to make the right start to the day.
5 minute longer break	This will give students more time to move around the site and will enable student to comfortably visit the canteen and make a punctual start to lessons after break; this is currently an issue due to the size of the site and the limited time available and possible constraints which may be put into place as a part of the building process.
Later finish time	The end of the school day will be extended due to the extension of break time.

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Removal of the early finish on Blue Wednesday	After a review of the curriculum we will use this time to offer an extended range of opportunities to students as a part of the options process as well as allowing for further enrichment within the curriculum.
Removal of split lunches	To allow for playing of pro social games at lunch (i.e. games which promote social behaviour), after the loss of some external space during the building work, we have removed the split lunch to free up the sports facilities for football and other games. The removal of the split lunches also allows cross Key Stage band practice and other cross Key Stage events.

A survey in order to collect views of parents will become available in the news section of the website over the coming days and will remain live until 07 June.

<https://www.guiseleyschool.org.uk/news>

Yours sincerely



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