

20 May 2022

Dear Families,

### **Final decision - Consultation on our proposal to change the Secondary school day**

Thank you for providing feedback on our proposal. The academy has decided to go ahead with the change to the secondary academy day. This means that the school will start in the secondary phase at 8.15am every morning. The school day will finish at 3.30pm Monday to Thursday, and at 2.35pm every Friday.

These changes will take effect in the new academic year 2022-23.

***These changes will affect secondary students only and Primary start and finish times will remain as they currently are. (8.40am-3.15pm with doors open from 8.30am)***

### **Amendments following feedback from families**

We have listened to feedback from families and are putting in place some supportive solutions to ensure that families with children in both secondary and primary phases can manage drop off and collection more easily.

From next academic year, the Primary 'Breakfast Club' will commence at 8.00am every morning. This will be for a maximum of 60 children and will be first come; first served. This will be **free of charge from September**. Families who already access the current provision will automatically receive a place in September. Remaining places will be allocated between the period 6 June 2022 – 20 June 2022. To request a place, contact the main academy office by email ([admin@dixonsaa.com](mailto:admin@dixonsaa.com)) or write a letter with your details and your child's details and hand this into reception.

In the secondary phase, we will be introducing an after-school club in the library, where students can stay for up to an hour and complete homework, read from our extensive book and journal collection or undertake research and revision. This provision will run from 3.30pm – 4.30pm Monday to Thursday and from 2.35pm – 3.35pm every Friday.

These amendments are aimed at supporting families with drop off and collection times – any students in secondary who need to wait for parents to arrive to pick up primary children can join the after-school provision and we are hoping that families who need to drop secondary students off on mornings can make use of our extended primary 'Breakfast Club' offer.

### **The new secondary academy day**

From 30 August 2022, the academy day in secondary will begin at 8.15am. All students will need to have arrived in the building and be in their Collective Learning spaces at this time. Secondary school breakfast club provision will be available to all students from 7.45am. Breakfast will be free for all students. We are also planning to hold early morning sessions for students to support them with their reading, learning and achievement across the curriculum.



Year 7, 8 and Post-16 will have their breaks and lunches together and their advisory and assembly sessions at the same time in the afternoon. Year 9, 10 and 11 will have break, lunch and advisory sessions at the same times.

Please see below for the new structure of the day.

### Secondary School Timetable from September 2022

	<b>Year 7, 8 and Post-16</b>	<b>Year 9-11</b>
<b>7.45am</b>	Breakfast Club / Morning Mastery	Breakfast Club / Morning Mastery
<b>8.15am</b>	Collective Learning	Collective Learning
<b>8.40am</b>	P1	P1
<b>9.35am</b>	P2	P2
<b>10.30am</b>	Break	P3
<b>10.50am</b>	P3	
<b>11.25am</b>		
<b>11.45am</b>	P4	P4
<b>12.40pm</b>	Lunch	Advisory
<b>1.10pm</b>	Advisory	Lunch
<b>1.40pm</b>	P5	P5
<b>2.35pm</b>	P6	P6
<b>3.30pm</b>	End of school day (2.35pm Friday)	End of school day (2.35pm Friday)
<b>3.30 – 4.30pm</b>	Enrichment / Masterclasses (2.35 – 3.35pm on Fridays)	Enrichment / Masterclasses (2.35 – 3.35pm on Fridays)

Your sincerely,



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