

Langar C of E Primary School

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Dear Parents / Carers,

As you may be aware, schools have a statutory requirement to provide a minimum of 21 hours of teaching for Key Stage 1 and 23 hours for Key Stage 2. At Langar school we are committed to providing above and beyond – from the requirements to the curriculum that we enrich with experiences and trips to the hours we dedicate to the job of educating your children. We teach for nearly 27 hours a week which is over and above this requirement.

As part of ongoing school improvement, we have been analysing the structure of the school day and considering how restructuring this may benefit our children. After consultation with staff and governors we have found:

- Children's learning is more productive in the morning sessions.
- Behaviour incidents, though few, are most commonly during lunchtime play
- For children with friendship issues or who struggle socially, the lunchtime playtime (of 45 minutes) only compounds this
- The beginning half an hour of the afternoon session is often spent sorting out issues from lunchtime
- Staff struggle to meet with colleagues from other schools or attend meetings as our school finishes later than any other school in Rushcliffe

The proposal is to change the start and finish times as follows:

Morning: 8.45am – 12.15pm (including a 15 minute break)
Afternoon: 1.15pm – 3.15pm

This would have several beneficial effects for children and parents:

- An 'open door' start to the day, with children welcomed into school from 8.40am would give parents the opportunity to pass on necessary information and messages to the teacher.
- Pupil engagement and learning would begin on entry to the school site.
- The children would have more learning time in the morning.
- Children would be able to walk home before it becomes dark in the winter, thus improving road safety.
- Extra-curricular activities after school, especially sporting events and competitions, could be attended without cutting into the school day.

- An earlier finish time would also enable more opportunities for staff professional development.

We would now like to gather the views of all parents/carers to inform our decision making. We would therefore like you to consider the proposal and give us your views. A final decision will be agreed by the governing body and communicated at the beginning of next term ready to be implemented in September 2019. **Please return responses to school by Friday 5th April.**

Kind Regards,



Proposal to Change Times at Langar Church of England Primary School

I support the proposed changes to the school day at Langar Church of England Primary School (please circle)

Parent/carer of (please circle)				
Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree or disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
Reasons:				
Any other comments/suggestions:				
Parent/carer of		Class		

