



GIRLINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear parents, carers, guardians and families,

Following our recent consultation on the proposed changes to the length of the school day, I am writing to confirm that the consultation is now closed, and that there have been no objections to these proposals. This is in line with the Government's White Paper of March 2022 and DfE's "Minimum expectation on length of the school week", which state that schools should be open a minimum of 32.5 hours per week.

Please see the following times that will commence on Wednesday 4th September 2024.

- Breakfast Club beginning at 8.00am
- Cloakroom doors open at 8.30am
- Registration at 8.40am
- School closes at 3.10pm

As part of The Department of Education legislative requirements we will also be closing registers at **9.10am**, therefore if any pupils arrive later than this, they may receive an "unauthorised absence" mark. This will be dependent on the reasons for the lateness i.e. if attending a doctor's appointment (proof may be required). Unauthorised absences are monitored by the Local Authority and 10 unauthorised absences in a 10-week period may result in a penalty notice warning.

We believe that these changes will be beneficial to the school community and will have a positive effect on your child's education. The pupils will benefit from an active break in the afternoon and more creative curriculum time.

Many thanks in advance for your cooperation with the school day times.

Yours sincerely,

Kathryn Swales
Headteacher