

1st September 2023

Changes to the timings of the school day

Dear Parents/Carers,

As you will know from our previous letter in July, there is now an expectation that schools are open for a minimum of 32.5 hours a week. The 32.5-hour minimum expectation includes the time in each day from the official start of the school day (i.e. morning registration) to the official end to the compulsory school day (i.e. official home time). The 32.5 hour minimum includes breaks and lunch times as well as teaching time and any extra-curricular activities that all pupils are expected to attend. It does not include optional before or after school provision. In order for Heronshaw School to ensure that it meets these new minimum standards of education for your child, our school day needs to be extended by ten minutes.

From **Tuesday 5th September** the following timings will be in place;

-Gates and school doors open at **8:30am**.

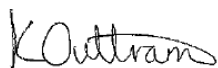
-Registration will close at **8.40am**.

-Any child arriving after the gates have been closed will have to enter via reception and will be signed in as late.

Your child will continue to receive a break time and lunch time and these times will not be affected.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kindest regards,



Mrs Kirsty Outtram
Head of School



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