

11th July 2022

CONSULTATION RE CHANGE TO SCHOOL DAY – FROM SEPTEMBER 2022

Dear Parents/Carers

The government's White Paper has set an expectation that all state-funded mainstream schools will deliver a minimum length of school week of 32.5 hours as soon as they can.

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. It does not include optional before or after school provision. The government publication states that schools must 'Operate two sessions on every school day divided by a break in the middle of the day'.

I am writing to inform you, and receive feedback regarding, a **proposed change to the structure of the school day for children**, at Westminster Primary School. This change is in response to the recent release of the Department for Education's White Paper.

This will mean that **school will not close at 12:30pm on a Friday** for children and instead finish at 3:30pm, every day. Children will need to be in the playgrounds at 8:40am, as is the case now, so that there is enough time for them to reach their classes for registration.

Should the changes be approved by the Trust Board, following this consultation, it will come into effect from 7th September 2022 and the **children will need to arrive at 8:40am and will be dismissed at 3:30pm every day**.

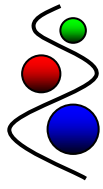
The consultation is open for parents and will close on Tuesday 19th July 2022. Please complete the form below to submit your views and place it in the box available at the school office.

Yours sincerely

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Views concerning proposed change to timings of the school day from 7th September 2022 i.e. that Westminster Primary School's opening hours will be such that children will arrive at 8:40am and the school day will end at 3:30 pm, every day from Monday to Friday.

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