



15 December 2020

Dear parents and carers

As this long and challenging term comes to end, I wanted to thank you for your wonderful support and understanding over the last four months. Covid19 has challenged us but we have managed to get to Christmas without too much school missed, we have also learned how to do things differently and in some cases for the better, for example, feedback from on-line parents' evenings has been very positive.

In January we would like to make a small change to the school day (temporary), we have found lunchtimes most challenging, so we will shorten lunchtime by 10 minutes for all year groups. This will mean it is easier to supervise students and during the cold months they will spend less time outside. The new day will finish as follows for year groups:

Year 7	2:40pm
Year 8	2:45pm
Year 9	2:50pm
Year 10	2:55pm
Year 11	3:00pm
Years 12/13	3:05pm

No curriculum time is lost by this change.

Furthermore, our 'bad weather' protocol will also change after Christmas. In the event of very poor weather the school will close for pupils; colleagues will set work for that day via Microsoft Teams.

Finally, have a great holiday, stay safe and take care. School starts again on 4 January 2021.

Yours faithfully

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