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Academy day from September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to provide you with a clear overview of the academy day.

Following the consultation earlier this academic year, from September 2026 the academy day will start five minutes earlier.



The Morning Routine

Ensuring your child arrives on time is essential for a productive start to their learning.

- 7:30am: Free breakfast service available for all students every day.
- 8:15am: School doors open.
- 8:20am: School gates close - all students are expected to be on-site. Students who arrive after the school gates close will be issued with a 'Late to school detention' which is 40 minutes on the same day.
- 8:25am: Form time begins (compulsory start).



Afternoon Finish Times

To help you plan, please note the differing finish times across the week:

- Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday: School ends at 3:15pm.
- Thursday, Friday: School ends at 2:30pm.

Year 11 only

- Monday and Tuesday: Academy closes at 4.00pm. This includes a mandatory Period 6 from 3:15pm to 4:00pm, specifically for Year 11 students to support their academic success.

To ensure that students get to school on time the bus company has been informed of the earlier start to the day. [More information about travelling to school can be found on our website.](#)

Attendance and punctuality are key. Success starts with being present. For every student; every day in school is an opportunity to learn and grow.

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely,

Joanne Clifton
Headteacher