

Thursday 21st June 2018

Dear Parents,

I am writing to inform you of a proposal to change the timing of the school day and working week at Kempston Rural Primary. The schools governing body are proposing this change to further drive forward school improvement in order to ensure that your son/daughter is provided with the best possible opportunity to achieve success. The changes would mean;

1. A reduction in the length of lunch breaks for all children, from 1.25 hours to 1 hour;
2. An earlier start to each day from 8.55am to 8.35am;
3. An earlier end to the school day, from 3.20pm to 3.10pm;
4. No afternoon break for children in Years 3 – 6;
5. School will finish at 1.30pm each Friday;
6. Structured after school care will be provided to children of working parents until 3.10pm each Friday;
7. A variety of enrichment activities will be provided, at a fee, for those that wish to attend on Friday afternoon (these will be in addition to the after school care).

The new school week would be as follows;

Day	School gates open	School begins	School closes
Monday	8.30am	8.35am	3.10pm
Tuesday	8.30am	8.35am	3.10pm
Wednesday	8.30am	8.35am	3.10pm
Thursday	8.30am	8.35am	3.10pm
Friday	8.30am	8.35am	1.30pm Each Friday school will end at 1.30pm when children will be expected to be collected. For children of working parents, there will be structured after school care until 3.10pm which will be booked online. From 3.10pm until 3.45pm there is after school club for which a fee is charged.

The weekly timetable has been carefully arranged to ensure the statutory curriculum teaching entitlement for all children is provided, 21 hours for Key Stage One and 23½ hours for Key Stage Two.

These changes, which would take effect from January 2019 will provide your son/daughter with a curriculum structure and school week which is broad and balanced, with children's wellbeing at the centre. It will allow a greater amount of quality time with their class teacher

as part of their statutory 'Planning, Preparation and Assessment (PPA)' time will be taken on Friday afternoons.

If you would like to submit any feedback about this proposed change to the timing of the school day and week, or have any questions or queries with regards to it, please contact me either via the school office (01234 854286) or via email (office@kempstonrural.co.uk), with the subject title 'School Day Consultation', before 12.00pm on Wednesday 18th July 2018.

Many thanks for your attention to this consultation process. I look forward to your feedback and thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Mrs A Stanbridge
Head Teacher