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Mr Jim Roberts- Headteacher

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

I shared last week the new guidance regarding the wearing of face coverings in school.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/face-coverings-no-longer-required-in-schools-and-colleges-from-17-may>

Whilst the guidance has changed regarding the wearing of face coverings for students, it is important that families continue with their twice weekly COVID testing routine and that we all prioritise handwashing and social distancing, to keep everyone safe. I also understand that several students and staff will continue to wear a face covering for the additional protection and confidence it provides.

I wrote to all parents and carers on the 9<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2021, to share a proposal for a new structure of the school day. I had several positive e-mails and three that highlighted separate concerns regarding; accessing public transport, the length of lessons and length of break times. Thank you to those parents and carers who took time to share their thoughts. In response, I would like to confirm;

- All students will be able to access public transport using the current bus timetables. We will also be making available the learning resource areas on both sites before and after school finishes, to enable all students to complete homework / additional study, or wait for school to start / transport home at a later time.
- As I've highlighted before the new canteen on the Nevill campus and extension to the dining hall on the Valley campus, will mean we are able to reduce queueing for access to the canteen, at both break and lunchtime. With only a maximum of 2 year groups (as opposed to three in the current model), this will ensure all students are able to access the canteen and have time for a break.
- In addition to normal timetabled lessons, our 'Every Child Should Strategy' sets out our aim to ensure all students take advantage of the opportunities for enrichment and extra-curricular activities. There will be an extensive after school provision that we will be strongly encouraging all students to take part in, at least once a week. Any additional targeted learning either as part of the school's provision or through the government funded tuition programme, will be scheduled at the end of the school day.

In summary, the feedback from staff, students, parents and carers to the proposal has been overwhelmingly positive and I have confirmed with the governing body that we will be moving

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forward with the proposal from **September 2021**. As with all key decisions we will monitor the impact of the new day, during the next academic year and give parents and carers the opportunity to feedback at the beginning of the summer term 2022.

I have included the new structure again for your information. I have also summarised the start and finish times for individual year groups.

	08:00	08:15	08:30	08:45	09:00	09:15	09:30	09:45	10:00	10:15	10:30	10:45	11:00	11:15	11:30	11:45	12:00	12:15	12:30	12:45	13:00	13:15	13:30	13:45	14:00	14:15	14:30	14:45	15:00	15:15	15:30
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TIMINGS OF THE SCHOOL DAY 2021/2022						
	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	6th Form
<b>Start of the school Day</b>	08:30	09:00	09:00	09:00	08:30	09:00
<b>Tutor</b>	08:30	09:00	09:00	09:00	08:30	09:00
<b>Lesson 1</b>	09:00	09:30	09:30	09:30	09:00	09:30
<b>Break</b>	10:30 – 11:00	11:00 – 11:30	11:00 – 11:30	11:00 – 11:30	10:30 – 11:00	11:00 – 11:30
<b>Lesson 2</b>	11:00	11:30	11:30	11:30	11:00	11:30
<b>Lunch</b>	12:30 – 13:00	13:00 – 13:30	13:00 – 13:30	13:00 – 13:30	12:30 – 13:00	13:00 – 13:30
<b>Lesson 3</b>	13:00	13:30	13:30	13:30	13:00	13:30
<b>End of the school Day/Extra Curricular Sessions Start</b>	14:30	15:00	15:00	15:00	14:30	15:00

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Finally, I have included a link to a short video clip taken from the time lapse camera we have installed to record the progress of our building work on the Valley campus.

<https://vimeo.com/548083512/e3bf4ebaab>

Best wishes,

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Head teacher

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