

30 March 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

### **Change to the school day at Priory Belvoir Academy**

As you may be aware from the national media, the government now expects all schools to operate a 32.5-hour week from the academic year 2023-2024. The Department for Education (DfE) will measure these hours simply through a school's start and finish times.

As a result, and in order to comply with this new requirement, we need to make a minor adjustment to the school day at the Priory Belvoir Academy.

From the start of the new academic year in August 2023, our school day for all age groups will be as follows:

**Start time:** 8.40am

**Finish time:** 3.10pm

This will ensure that all pupils are in school for the required 6.5 hours per day.

We have made the decision to start the school day 5 minutes earlier at 8.40am and have used this opportunity to extend the tutorial session to 25 minutes to more easily facilitate assemblies and tutorial and PSHE based learning activities. The rest of the school day will move forward by 5 minutes and therefore the end of the day will finish five minutes later at 3.10pm.

8.40am – 9.05am	Registration and Tutorial time
9.05am – 10.05am	Period 1
10.05am – 11.05am	Period 2
11.05am – 11.25am	<b>Break</b>
11.25am - 12.25pm	Period 3
12.25pm – 1.10pm	<b>Lunch</b>
1.10pm – 2.10pm	Period 4
2.10pm – 3.10pm	Period 5

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3.10pm      End of the school day

We appreciate that these new arrangements may also lead to slight changes in your own family lives, which is why we are giving you as much notice as possible. We are also contacting all our other stakeholders to ensure that the new structure runs smoothly from the first day of the new academic year which is Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> August 2023.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact us at [generalenquiries@belvoiracademy.co.uk](mailto:generalenquiries@belvoiracademy.co.uk)

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

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