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**Reddal Hill Primary School**

**Length of School Week – Consultation April 2024**

In March 2022, the Government introduced a non-statutory expectation of a 32.5-hour minimum core school week by September 2023. In July 2023 the deadline to meet this expectation was deferred to September 2024 at the latest, in recognition of the pressures facing schools. This applies to all mainstream, state-funded schools in England.

A core school week is the time from morning registration to the official end of the school day for all pupils (including breaks). It does not include optional activities, or those that are only available for some pupils.

The 32.5-hour minimum expectation includes the time in each day from the official start of the school day (i.e., morning registration) to the official end of the compulsory school day (i.e., official home time). The 32.5 hour minimum includes lunch times and other breaks as well as teaching time and any enrichment activities that all pupils are expected to attend. It does not include optional before or after school provision. The statutory guidance can be found at:

<https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/64a2f21fbb13dc000cb2e5e1/Minimum_School_Week_Non-Statutory_Guidance.pdf>

At Reddal Hill, we currently provide a 30 hours and 50 minutes core school week. In order to adhere to the DfE expectation, the Senior Management Team and Governing Body have revised the school week that we wish to implement from 1st September 2024. Please see below:

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| **Schedule** | **Current School Week** | **Revised School Week** |
| Breakfast Club | 7.45 – 8.40 am | 7.40 – 8.40 am |
| School gates open | 8:40 am | TBC |
| Register closes | 8:50 am | 8:40 am |
| School day begins | 9:00 am | 8:50 am |
| Assembly | 9.00 am (KS1)  10.00 am (KS2) | 8.50 am (KS1)  10.00 am (KS2) |
| Break time | 10.00 am (KS1)  10:15 am (KS2) | 9.50 am (KS1)  10:15 am (KS2) |
| Lessons begin | 10:15 am (KS1)  10.30 am (KS2) | 10:05 am (KS1)  10.30 am (KS2) |
| Lunchtime | 11:30 am (EYFS)  11:50 am (KS1)  12:30 pm (KS2) | 11:20 am (EYFS)  11:40 am (KS1)  12:30 pm (KS2) |
| Lessons being | 12:10 pm (EYFS)  12.30 pm (KS1)  1.10 pm (KS2) | 12:10 pm (EYFS)  12.30 pm (KS1)  1.20 pm (KS2) |
| School day ends | 3:00 pm (All pupils)  3:10 pm (Nursery) | 3:10 pm (All pupils)  3:10 pm (Nursery) |
| After-school clubs | 3:00 – 4.00 pm | 3:10 – 4.10 pm |

**Engaging with parents and carers**

Your views are very important to us, as such, we are providing you with a six-week consultation period to respond to the proposed change to the core school week at Reddal Hill Primary School You can either respond via the box provided below or book an appointment to come and speak to me regarding this proposal. The six-week consultation period will commence on Monday 29th April and end on Monday 10th June 2024.

Please use the attached form to submit any thoughts you have regarding the above, or to make an appointment: (<https://forms.office.com/e/Bg5nxVRHNS>)

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards,



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Headteacher