



April 2017

Dear Parent/Guardian

**Re: Consultation - change to the length of lunch and end of the school day**

We are writing to you as part of our consultation process in considering the change of the school day to better suit our students and their learning in school. Many parents will be aware that these types of changes happen from time to time.

At the moment our lunch is 50 minutes long, commencing at 13.30pm and finishing at 14.20pm. We then have Period 5 and the school day finishes at 15.20pm.

Our proposal is to create a shorter lunch, still starting at 13.30pm but finishing at 14.10pm. We will then have Period 5 but the school day will finish at 15.10pm.

We have already consulted with staff, governors, students and a group of parent representatives.

The first reason for this change is to reduce the length of the lunch-time. Even though we have more students than ever before purchasing lunch, the well-organised catering team get the food served quickly and students have finished their lunch after 30 minutes.

The second reason for this change is to enable us to build opportunities to develop our extra-curricular provision. An earlier start to these enrichment sessions will mean that students are less tired in the winter months and those students representing the numerous school teams will no longer have to leave lessons early to get to fixtures. This is also true for after school revision sessions.

The consultation period requires that the proposed change is put to parents, and any parents who wish to give feedback are invited to respond via e-mail to [schooloffice@hilbre.wirral.sch.uk](mailto:schooloffice@hilbre.wirral.sch.uk) (with the e-mail title being 'School Day Consultation'). The consultation period will close on Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2017.

Yours faithfully

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