

## School Day Parents Survey responses 25<sup>th</sup> May 2018

### **1. Will our views be taken into consideration?**

Certainly, we always take parents' views seriously and many of you know that we have often acted on suggestions from parents. We are currently at consultation stage and the end result is not fixed. Of those that have responded thus far, two-thirds are in favour of the changes and the remaining third have questions that are answered below.

### **2. Is the purpose of this change to save money?**

This proposal has pupil achievement and staff well-being foremost in mind. Due to careful budget management, we are currently financially secure and we will be investing in the enrichment activities as well.

### **3. Will parents be charged for the 2.30 – 3.30pm enrichment cost?**

Most of the enrichment activities will be offered for free. Some specialised activities that parents request may have to be sourced elsewhere and would require a charge, such as cheerleading, musical instruments, street dance, karate etc. Some parents would like cooking to take place and this would require a contribution towards the ingredients.

### **4. What will be the collection time? What happens if I am late to collect my child?**

Parents can collect their children every day at either 2.30pm or at 3.30pm. Late collection would be subject to our current late policy. Children cannot go to a club if a parent is late. No arrangement can be made for a child to attend a club at short notice.

### **5. Will the enrichment activities take place every day?**

Yes, they will be available every day.

In the event of a staff absence, the children may be placed in a different club or another member of staff may take the group and undertake an alternative activity.

### **6. What happens if my child tries a club and doesn't like it? Can he change clubs?**

Children sign up for a term, so it is important that they think carefully before making their choices. Changes would be difficult to manage, as clubs will likely be full.

Choices would be made on a termly basis.

### **7. Will children with additional needs be able to attend the clubs?**

All children can attend a club, including those with additional needs. Activities would be adjusted so that they can participate but they would not have an additional member of staff to support them. The provision would be similar as in breakfast club or current after school club.

## **8. What will be the alternative to the 'traditional' break time?**

Teachers already have the option to take their class out for a stretch and break from a formal learning situation at other times of the day. This can take the form of many different activities – physical but also listening to a story, singing etc Teachers recognise when children need this break and the intention is the trial a variety of ways to ensure children are not worse of and to enhance learning opportunities through different outdoor learning opportunities. There will be opportunities to run off energy, 'let of steam' and to socialise.

## **9. Will the quality of the clubs will be monitored?**

Staff will be given time to plan the activities and school leadership will give support and monitor as well. The purpose of the enrichment is that they offer informal learning opportunities that are relaxed and without pressure to achieve.

## **10. Please provide further information about enrichment: such as activities offered, group sizes, staffing levels and how it will be applied fairly**

The activities currently being discussed offer a wide range of opportunities including sports, music, crafts, homework, games, creative and outdoors. Group sizes depend on age, activity, difficulty, staff experience and could range from about 8 to 15. Some adults may join together for larger groups.

Children can choose a different activity for each day in the week, but would not do the same activity every day.

Some children may be targeted and invited for particular activities such as Year 6 booster.

Children may be grouped in mixed age groups (such as board games or crafts) or in fixed age groups (for example, football or homework club).

If a parent has more than one child, they can all attend, but may not necessarily be undertaking the same activity.

## **11. Will the back gate be open to collect at 2.30pm?**

Yes, gates will be open for collection to take place until 2.45pm.

## **12. What happens if this doesn't work?**

We would trial this for a year and regularly review the impact. If it doesn't work, we will review and make adjustments where necessary.