18 November 2014

Dear Parents/Guardians

RE: NEW PROPOSED SCHOOL DAY TIMETABLE

Following meetings with staff and the School Board about the school timetable, we are writing to inform you about changes being proposed for next year and invite you to engage in a consultation about:

- School Day
- Start and end of the school day

We are proposing to change the start and end of the school day. This will mean that the school gates will open from 8.20 am for classes to commence learning at 8.50 am. The other significant change is that students will be dismissed at 3.00 pm, with gates closing at 3.20 pm.

With these changes:
- the amount of lessons/learning time will remain the same
- recess will remain the same
- slightly lesser time to lunch play
- best optimum learning time in the mornings for literacy and numeracy
- the 3.00 pm finish assists many parents who have to collect older siblings from Thomas More College
- the changes proposed align with the teachers Enterprise Agreement
- OSHC times and OSHC charges will not be affected

Please find below these new proposed School Day times.

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We appreciate that any new changes can impact on families, therefore, we are seeking feedback from parents/guardians to assist us in finalising this change, ready for implementation in 2015. We hope that this letter outlines our reasons behind the proposed changes and that you will engage in the consultation by completing the attached form and returning to school by Friday 28th November 2014.

Yours sincerely

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FEEDBACK RE NEW PROPOSED SCHOOL DAY TIMETABLE

NAME: ......................................................  Contact No.  .........................

My input regarding the new proposed School Day Timetable is as follows:

1  Gates Opening at 8.20 am:

2  Starting Time of 8.50 am:

3  Finish Time of 3.00 pm:

4  Gates Closing at 3.20 pm:

5  Any other comments:

Please tick one of the following options:

I am in favour of changing the timings of the school day  □
I am NOT in favour of changing the timings of the school day  □

Please return to the Front Office

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