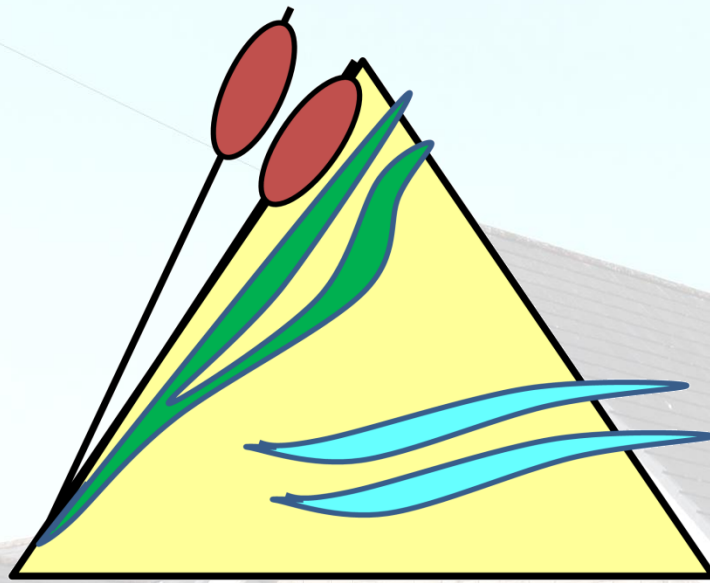


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Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that the structure of the school day provides the best possible framework for teaching and learning. Our aim is to allow sufficient time to ensure delivery of a broad and balanced curriculum and collective worship, as well as the necessary time for registration and breaks.

Roles and responsibilities of governors

Governors will ensure that, if changes are being considered to the school day, the Headteacher will consult fully with the LA, staff, parents, pupils, and the Junior School. If changes are being proposed they will ensure that:

- A statement is prepared specifying the proposed change;
- Provide a copy of the statement to all parents and make copies available for inspection at the school;
- Call a meeting, not less than two weeks after circulating a copy of the statement to enable parents and anyone else invited by the governing body to discuss the proposed change;
- Consider any comments made and decide whether to implement the proposed change, with or without any modification;
- Inform the LA and parents of any change at least three months before it takes effect where the change is the beginning of a morning session and/or the end of an afternoon one, and at least six weeks beforehand in the case of any other change.

A change in the times of a school session must only be made so as to take effect at the beginning of a school year.

Current Arrangements

The current times of the school day are;

Nursery

Morning session 9am – 11.30am (2½ hours)
Afternoon session 12.45pm – 3.15pm (2½ hours)

Foundation Phase

Morning session 9am – 11.55am
Afternoon session 12.55pm – 3.15pm

Key Stage 2

Morning session 9am – 12.20pm
Afternoon session 1.20pm – 3.25pm

The Foundation Phase equates to 5 hours and 15 minutes a day and 26 hours and 15 minutes a week, which taking into account collective worship, registration and morning break, is in excess of the recommended hours per week for Foundation Phase of 21 hours.

Key Stage 2 equates to 5 hours and 25 minutes per day and 27 hours and 5 minutes a week, which taking into account collective worship, registration and morning break, is in excess of the recommended hours per week for Key Stage 2 of 23.5 hours.

Governors are not required to consult with stakeholders over proposed changes to the length of sessions during the school day.

Arrangements for monitoring and evaluating

The ongoing process of school self review will consider whether an appropriate amount of time is allocated to each curriculum area.