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Dear parents/carers

East Leake Academy (ELA) are starting a consultation process with parents, primary schools and bus companies to explore the possibility of extending our academy day by an additional 5 minutes, so that the start time of the day would be 08:30 instead of 08:45 and the finishing time of the day would be 15:05 instead of 15:15. The academy also plans to introduce a 5 x 1hr lesson curriculum for 2020/21.

Why would the academy like to extend the school day?

There are three main reasons why ELA would like to extend the school day:

1. To increase break time by an additional 5 minutes so that students have additional social time.
2. To increase the tutor lesson by an additional 5 minutes to make personal development opportunities more meaningful and impactful.
3. To provide greater depth and breadth by increasing the time allocated to the curriculum of creative subjects and longer lessons for subject implementation and the ability to offer increased staff training opportunities at the end of the school day to provide greater impact on our students.

The above reasons have come via feedback from students and parents about what else the academy can do to improve.

Below is the current school day and the proposed change to the school day as of September 2020 if, following consultation, it is decided to be adopted:

Current school day		Proposed school day	
PD Time	08:45 – 09:00	PD Time	08:30 – 08:50
Period 1	09:05 – 09:55	Period 1	08:55 – 09:55
Period 2	10:00 – 10:50	Period 2	10:00 – 11:00
Break	10:50 – 11:05	Break	11:00 – 11:20
Period 3	11:05 – 11:55	Period 3	11:20 – 12:20
Period 4	12:00 – 12:50	Period 4	12:25 – 13:25
Lunch	12:50 – 13:30	Lunch	13:25 – 14:05
Period 5	13:30 – 14:20	Period 5	14:05 – 15:05
Period 6	14:25 – 15:15		

If you would like to contribute your views about the proposed changes, please contact Mrs Sinclair via email using the address below by Thursday 12 March 2020:

Linda Sinclair (PA to the Principal) lsinclair@eastleake-ac.org.uk

Yours sincerely

Mr B Francis
Principal

