

Warbstow Primary Academy and Nursery

Head of School – Mrs H Bancroft

6th December 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you are aware, over the last 18 months, in line with Government guidance, Warbstow Primary Academy made changes to the school day in order to accommodate and extended drop off window, as well as social distancing requirements. Looking ahead to the Spring term (January 2022), I am writing to inform you of some slight changes to the structure of the school day here at Warbstow.

Main School: Slightly earlier and shorter drop off window in the morning

8:40 – 8:50 Gates will open at 8:40 and then close at 8:50, the lessons will begin promptly at 8:55. School finishes at 3:20pm.

Nursery: Timings remain the same

If you arrive at school after 8:50am your child will be marked as late in the register. We monitor our attendance carefully as it is our legal duty to ensure all children are safe whether they are in school or at home. If your child is absent, please inform the school office by 9:15am.

These changes are planned for 5th January when the new term starts and will be reviewed around February half term. I believe that these changes will be beneficial to the school community and will have a positive effect on your child's education, with a more settled start to the school day. In addition, the morning lessons will start earlier to maximise the learning opportunities of our morning session. We have heard the phrase 'catch up' repeatedly in education over the last year, and that is not to be dismissed but I would prefer to say 'moving forwards'. Moving forwards at Warbstow we want to pack our mornings full of learning and provide support where it is needed.

The arrival and departure procedures will remain unchanged, ensuring all children are safely seen both into school in the morning as well as safely dismissed to the correct adult at the end of the day. As always, safeguarding is paramount to all procedures. Certainly, we do hope in the new term that we will be able to have more parents able to visit the classrooms and share their children's learning.

The information in this letter has also been sent to the local county transport provider. We will make sure to work together so that there is minimal disruption.

As these changes are minimal, I appreciate that it may well not affect you at all, however, as always, please do feel free to email <u>hello@warbstow.org.uk</u> if you have any queries, questions, or feedback.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Bancroft Head of School

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