

The Warriner School

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Dear Parents, Carers and Guardians,

I hope this letter find you well and looking forward to the weekend.

I am very excited to share with you all the news that from this September we will be making a small change to the timings of the school day: every other week: from **Wednesday 15th September 2021, Week A** the school day will finish at 2.20pm, every other Wednesday.

The driving force behind this change is twofold - one - to gain some quality time to develop the professional skills of our staffing body, to ensure that, post-pandemic, we continue to take our learning forward from the two Lockdowns to further improve professional developments around: IT provision; social & emotional learning and new curriculum developments to support better teaching and learning and two - to gain some quality time to use for student enrichment and interventions, also post pandemic. All contracted bus companies have been communicated with and they are all available to pick up from The Warriner School at 2.20pm on these Wednesdays.

To allow this change to happen **every other Wednesday**, the students will go straight into Lesson 1 at 8.30, where am registration will take place and the normal tutor time will not take place. Break times will stay the same but there will be a small tweak to lunch timings but, most importantly, there will be no loss of learning time. Students will have this change explained to them next week and more details will be communicated next term, especially around the extra enrichment this change will allow for students.

As you may be aware, Bloxham Nursery on Ell's Lane, have kindly offered their car park as a collection point for students. If you use this facility please can you ensure that you:

- park in the car park to wait for your children
- ask your children to wait inside the nursery car park (there is a fenced area signposted for this) until you arrive
- do not use the entrance to the nursery as a meeting point, as students waiting block visibility for people entering/leaving the car park
- do not use the nursery entrance or grounds as a turning point for cars

We are really grateful to Bloxham Nursery for supporting the school in this way and do not wish any of our actions to compromise their site or business.

Can I ask please that you discuss with your child the importance of punctuality in school and, indeed, in life in general because we are finding too many students are not getting to their tutor group and/or



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lessons on time. We do not have bells signalling the end/start of sessions, we have plenty of large clocks around the school and we have duty staff reminding students when breaks end but, more importantly, we want our students to be independent enough to get themselves to where they need to be, on time – as they will need to do in life out of school. We have decided that three late marks in a week will result in a detention after school, on a Tuesday, which will be run by their Head of Year.

If you have a child in Year 11 I am sure you have heard about some of the fantastic work-related opportunities that the students have been experiencing this week: from media make – up, army skills, medical practice, robotics, animal 1st aid and even what makes a great Barista. Mr Rafferty, our careers and work experience lead, has been the driving force behind this week and it has been brilliant! We will share photographs of the week on our website very soon.

Lastly, if you have a child in our outgoing Year 11 who has been attending our ‘2 weeks into Sixth Form,’ I just want to say what an absolute credit they have been – Mr Smith, our Head of Sixth Form, is really complimentary about them; they look smart & professional, they have been very engaged in lessons and all have been a real pleasure to have in the school community. I hope they too have taken a lot from the week and I look forward to seeing them back next week.

I hope the sun continues to shine and that you have a good weekend.
With very best wishes.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'S Nicholls'.

Sharon Nicholls
Head of School