

Monday 5th February 2024

Dear parents and carers,

Consultation on changes to the length and structure of our school day

I am writing to inform you of some proposed changes to the structure of the school day here at Paulet High School. They are:

- Increasing the length of the school day by 10 minutes to ensure that we meet the Department of Education's new minimum expectation of a 32.5-hour school week. The proposal is that our day will finish at 3.00pm.
- Changing the structure of our day to revert to what I call 'pre-pandemic Paulet' which will include five one-hour lessons, a 10-minute form time at the start of the day and a 25-minute Character Development Lesson. To facilitate this there will be one slightly longer morning break and a slightly longer lunchtime.

Should the changes be approved, they will come fully into force from Monday 4th September 2024.

We believe that these changes will be beneficial to the school community and will have a positive effect on your child's education.

The information in this letter has also been sent to our neighbouring schools, our JTMAT Board, the local authority and after-school club providers who use our site. We will work together so that there is minimal disruption.

I appreciate that these changes may affect you in terms of childcare or working arrangements, and you may have questions related to your child's education. For this reason, I would like to invite you to please share any feedback or ask any questions that you have. Please email office@phs.jtmat.co.uk and mark it 'response to consultation about school day'.

We will release the results of the consultation by 29th February by emailed letter.

Yours faithfully,



Ian McArthur
Headteacher