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Dear Parent/Carer

As a result of the national proposal for all schools to be open for 32.5 hours a week, the Academy has been considering the start and end of day timings.

In order to meet the government expectations for the length of the school week, causing the least inconvenience and disruption to pupils and parents, we need to slightly extend the start and end of the school day for our children.

The table below shows the current timings and the proposed changes.

Current Day	Session Start	Session Finish
Reception,	Doors open at 8.55am.	Day ends at 3.20pm
Years 1-6	Session Starts at 9am	
Proposed Day	Session Start	Session Finish
Reception,	Doors open at 8.45am.	Day ends at 3.25pm
Years 1-6	Session starts at 8.55am	

Before we implement these timings, we would like to consult with parents and hear any thoughts you may have on what we are proposing. If you would like to make any comments about the changes, you can do so by sending an email to <a href="mailto:office@samuelbarlowprimary-ac.org.uk">office@samuelbarlowprimary-ac.org.uk</a>. The closing date for comments to be submitted is 13<sup>th</sup> November 2024. Any comments that are received will be given due consideration and you may be contacted for further discussion. Once this consultation period has ended, and the Academy has made a final decision on the new timings of the school day, we will contact parents again to confirm these. Any changes will not be made before January 2025.

Yours sincerely
Jon Chapman
Principal

