

Sir John Offley CE (VC) Primary School

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'With God all things are possible'







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New School start time

Dear Parents/Carers

The Government have announced, in their white paper, that all state-funded mainstream schools will deliver a minimum length of school week of **32.5 hours** from **September 2023**.

Therefore, from September 2023 the school day for children in Reception to Year 6 will be **8.45** a.m. – **3.15** p.m.

The doors will open at 8.45 a.m. each day and the children will need to enter school at that time as registration will take place straight away. (We will not be able to have a 10 minute 'soft opening' as we currently have).

The classroom doors will shut just after <u>8.45 a.m.</u> and anyone who arrives after this will be classed as late and will need to enter through the main office. Children who arrive late are at a great disadvantage because they miss starting the day with their peers and the beginning of lessons. This means they are often unsettled and confused about their work.

It is important that children establish good routines and habits in preparation for the rest of their lives. Punctuality is a life skill and it is essential that your child arrives to school, on time, to avoid disruption to their education and that of others.

Children in nursery will start at 9 a.m. and finish at 3 p.m.

We thank you for your cooperation with these changes.

Kind regards,

Mrs S Inskip-Ward



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