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Monday, 1 March 2021

Dear Parents, Carers, Staff and the wider community,

Proposed Changes to Term Dates from Academic Year 2021/22

We would like to hear your views on a proposed change to our term dates, starting next academic year. At the moment, our current term dates vary from 72 days in the Autumn Term, 64 days in Spring and 60 days in Summer – with one week half term break each term and an additional 5 Teacher Days over the year.

The proposed dates will not change the number of days our children are in school.

The proposed dates will:

- better balance the length of each term
- better balance the length of each half term
- confirm the dates of 3 of the 5 Teacher Days for the year – providing parents more time to plan for holidays/childcare
- create a longer half term break in October – providing an additional opportunity for family holidays.

Autumn Term	School Days
Wednesday 1 September 2021 to Friday 15 October 2021 Teacher Day – Tuesday, 31 August	33
Monday 18 October 2021 to Friday 29 October 2021 – 2 week half term break	
Monday 1 November 2021 to Friday 17 December 2021	35
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Spring Term	School Days
Tuesday, 4 January 2022 to Friday 18 February 2022	34
Tuesday 22 February 2022 to Friday 25 February 2022 – half term break Teacher Day - Monday 21 February	
Monday 28 February 2022 to Friday 8 April 2022	30
	64
Summer Term	School Days
Monday 25 April 2022 to Friday 27 May 2022 *May Day Bank Holiday	24
Monday 30 May 2022 to Friday 3 June 2022 – half term break	
Monday 6 June 2022 to Monday 25 July 2022 Teacher Days - Tuesday 26 July	36
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Please note that the school will confirm the dates of the remaining 2 Teacher Days during the academic year.

We recently asked staff and parents/carers for their views on the proposed changes on an informal basis - to gauge the initial response. We now welcome feedback from all parents, carers, staff and the wider community and today begins the formal 4 week consultation period.

The consultation period will close at 5:00pm on Monday, 29 March 2021.

All consultation responses will be considered when deciding whether or not to implement the proposed changes. No decision can be made or confirmed before that date.

Please contact the school office if you would like to meet with school/Trust leaders to get more information and/or to ask any questions.

Senior Leadership Team

Mrs K Jones (Associate Head)

Mrs W Kendrick (Associate Head)

Mrs E Beards (Assistant Head)