



Ditton Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

After a period of consultation with parents regarding changes to the times of the school day, I am pleased to confirm that the changes have been accepted by an overwhelming majority of parents.

Benefits of changing the school times that were highlighted included:

- Children have lost learning time this year and this gives the school more opportunity to address any needs
- The start time (8.35 am to 8.50am) is very similar to the start time that it has been all year this year therefore parents and carers are already accustomed to this
- The end time (3.20pm) gives parents/carers/childminders time to pick up at other local schools before coming to Ditton.
- The school day has always seemed a lot shorter than other schools

From 6th September 2021, the school day for all children at Ditton primary will be as follows:

- The school day will start at 8.50 am for all pupils – the doors to classrooms will close at 8.50am and children arriving after this time will be marked in as late.
- The doors will open for children to enter classrooms from 8.35am
- The school day will finish at 3.20pm for all children

We did receive a very small number of emails raising concerns about the changes of times and we would ask these parents to contact the school in order to discuss how issues raised can be resolved.

We are confident that these changes will have a positive impact on the learning of all pupils and we thank you for your support.

Mrs J Pyne

Head of School