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'The school's work to promote pupils' personal development and welfare is outstanding'. (Ofsted)

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Hawkley Hall High School Consultation on Proposed Change to the School Day

Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to you regarding a consultation period that will take place with effect from today and end on April 18th at 4pm. It relates to a proposed necessary adjustment to the school day for all students and staff. The government has announced a new minimum expectation on the length of the school week. The expectation is now that the length of the school week should be 32.5 hours for all mainstream, state-funded schools by September 2024. (DfE, July 2023)

A core school day is the time from morning registration to the official end of the school day for all pupils (including breaks). It does not include optional activities, or sessions available for targeted pupils. Students are currently in school for 31.25 hours per week (8:45am- 3:00pm x 5). We need to increase the school day by 15 minutes, 5 days a week.

The school day would be adjusted in the following way. I have also provided the current school day for comparison:

Current		Proposed	
8.45	Engagement	8:40	Engagement
9.10	Period 1	9:05	Period 1
10.10	Period 2	10:05	Period 2
11.10	Break	11:05	Break
11.30	Period 3	11:25	Period 3
12.30	Period 4	12:25	Period 4
1.30	Lunch	1:25	Lunch
2.00	Period 5	2:10	Period 5
3.00	Students finish	3:10	Students finish

This will ensure that we meet the Department for Education's expectation of a 32.5 hr. week. To support the buses currently offered to students, we are currently working with our transport providers to ensure bus times can be adjusted to support this change if implemented.

We have already consulted with staff and now invite comments and queries from parents and carers. Please email the following address <u>schoolday@hhhs.net</u> that will allow us to efficiently address your thoughts.

Please note that these adjustments are school specific and will vary from school to school in the locality. Some schools will not be required to complete this process as their school day may already meet the government expectation.

The new Headteacher, Miss Leonard, will write to you with the outcome of the consultation during next half term.

Yours sincerely

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Mr Klinck Headteacher



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