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Dear Parents and Carers,

Consultation on the length of the school day at Nethergate Academy

I would like your views on our proposal to change the finish time of the school day from 6 January 2020. The proposal is to remove moving time in the afternoon and to reduce the amount of 'unstructured' time in the academy day, which our children find difficult. Lunchtime will reduce by fifteen minutes and there will be no afternoon break. There will be no change to the length or number of lessons/sessions. There will be 30 minutes more structured lesson/session time and less 'unstructured ' time. The current and proposed times are attached to this letter.

The changes will result in a 9.00am start and a 3.00pm finish instead of the current 8.50am start and 3.30pm finish. This will enable the 55 minutes each day gained to be used for staff training and to support academy improvement plans. Bus times will be adjusted accordingly.

Consultation opens today (Monday 21 October 2019) and closes on Friday 8 November 2019. Responses will be considered throughout the consultation period and a final decision will be communicated to staff, students and parents/carers on Friday 15 November 2019.

If the proposals are agreed, it will allow a period of almost 7 weeks before the new arrangements come into operation.

Feedback on the proposals should be emailed to admin@nethergateacademy.org

Yours faithfully

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