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"Called to love as God loves"

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Dear Parents/Carers

I am writing to inform you of some forthcoming changes to the structure of the school day.

The Department for Education has announced that by September 2023, all mainstream schools will be expected to provide a compulsory week of at least 32.5 hours. This is part of Government plans to ensure that children and young people can fulfil their full potential in the classroom. Full details can be found at:-

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/opportunity-for-all-strong-schools-with-great-teachers-for-your-child>

The 32.5 hour minimum expectation includes the time in each day from the official start of the school day (i.e. morning registration) to the official end to the compulsory school day (i.e. official home time). The 32.5 hour minimum includes breaks and lunch times, as well as teaching time and any extra-curricular activities that all pupils are expected to attend. It does not include any optional before or after school provision.

The changes at St Mary's are minimal and will be as follows:-

Nursery

Start - 8.55am

Collection – Between 3.00pm and 3.15pm

Reception

8.50am – 3.20pm

Key Stage 1

8.50am – 3.20pm

Key Stage 2

8.45am – 3.15pm

These changes will come into effect from **Monday, 9th January 2023.**

Thank you for your on-going support. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Ms M Garvey
Headteacher

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