



# WESTBOURNE Sports College

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Dear Parents

## CHANGES TO THE COLLEGE DAY – SEPTEMBER 2011

As you will be aware from previous correspondence and from our website, we have been consulting on proposals to change the timings of our school day.

Firstly, may we take this opportunity to express our thanks to those who gave us their views. We received over 250 responses and a number of parents attended the consultation meeting held at the end of March. A copy of the full report containing details of the proposals and recommendations can be found online at [www.westbourne.suffolk.sch.uk/proposed-changes-to-the-college-day](http://www.westbourne.suffolk.sch.uk/proposed-changes-to-the-college-day).

Secondly, we write to formally advise you that the college's Governors have considered the responses and have voted to approve the changes. These will come into effect on the first day of the new academic term in September 2011. Please be aware that with the timings of the new school day will therefore be as follows:

<i>Registration</i>	8.40am	- 8.50am	(5 minutes earlier & 5 minutes longer)
<b>Period 1</b>	8.50am	- 10.30am	(100 minutes duration)
<i>Morning Break</i>	10.30am	- 10.50am	(20 minutes earlier)
<b>Period 2</b>	10.50am	- 12.30pm	(100 minutes duration)
<i>Lunch</i>	12.30pm	- 1.10pm	(40 minutes earlier & 10 minutes shorter)
<b>Period 3</b>	1.10pm	- 2.50pm	(25 minutes earlier & 100 minutes duration)

In short, the new college day will change from five 60 minute lessons to three 100 minute lessons although some subjects will have their lessons divided into two 50 minute lessons. Students will start the school day 5 minutes earlier and finish school 25 minutes earlier.

Although we have been very successful in improving our exam results year on year, we are always looking for ways to make the college even more successful for our students. Almost all other secondary schools locally have implemented the three-period day with shorter breaks and an earlier finish and it is our belief that our students learning will also benefit from this change. Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

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