



Re: Proposal to change the timings of the school day: conclusions

3RD May 2024

Dear parents and carers,

I am writing to you to inform you of the results of our consulted changes to the school day, coming into effect from September 2nd 2024.

Feedback on this proposal has been overwhelmingly positive and I can therefore summarise concluded changes below for years 7 to 11 at Woolwich Polytechnic School for Girls:

- A 15 minute earlier start time of 8.15am every day;
- A 10 minute earlier finish time of 2.55pm every day except Wednesday;
- A finish time of 2.05pm on Wednesdays which will include an afternoon registration;
- We will no longer need to have different finishing times in Week A and Week B, meaning that the finishing times above are consistent each week;
- The lengths of periods would be 5 x 1-hour lessons on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays;
- The length of periods would be 4 x 1 hour on Wednesdays;
- Staggered lunches of 40 minutes each for Key Stage 3 and Key Stage 4.

The new school day timings will therefore be as follows:

Key Stage 3: Monday/ Tuesday/ Thursday/ Friday

	Start	Finish
AM registration	8:15am	8:40am
P1	8:40am	9:40am
P2	9:40am	10:40am
Break	10:40am	11:05am
Р3	11:05am	12:05am
Lunch	12:05pm	12:45pm
P4	12:45pm	1:45pm
P5	1:45pm	2:45pm
PM registration	2:45pm	2:55pm

Key Stage 3: Wednesday

	Start	Finish
Personal Development	8:15am	8:55am
P1	8:55am	9:55am
P2	9:55am	10:55am
Break	10:55am	11:20am
Р3	11.20am	12:20pm
Lunch	12:20pm	12:55pm
Period 4	12:55pm	1:55pm
PM registration	1:55pm	2:05pm

Key Stage 4: Monday/ Tuesday/ Thursday/ Friday

	Start	Finish
AM registration	8:15am	8:40am
P1	8:40am	9:40am
P2	9:40am	10:40am
Break	10:40am	11:05am
P3	11:05am	12:05am
P4	12:05pm	1:05pm
KS4 Lunch	1:05 pm	1:45pm
P5	1:45pm	2:45pm
PM registration	2:45pm	2:55pm

Key Stage 4: Wednesday

	Start	Finish
Personal Development	8:15am	8:55am
P1	8:55am	9:55am
P2	9:55am	10:55am
Break	10:55am	11:20am
Р3	11.20am	12:20pm
P4	12:20pm	1:20pm
Lunch	1:20pm	1:55pm
PM registration	1:55pm	2:05pm

Woolwich Polytechnic School for Boys, our brother school right next door, intends to start at 8.40am and finish by 3.20pm, creating a 25-minute gap between both schools' start and finishing times from September 2024.

I want to thank you for your engagement in our consultation process and hope that you agree that these new times will greatly benefit the smooth access and exit from our two schools.

Yours faithfully,

Ms L Williams - Headteacher