



11<sup>th</sup> May 2015

### **Changes to the School Day**

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are proposing some very minor changes to the school day as for 1<sup>st</sup> September 2015.

With new more demanding GCSEs being introduced it will be essential that students produce quality pieces of homework and spend time learning and revising on a regular basis. Many of our students struggle to do this independently and as a result do not make the progress which we know they are capable of. Following the successful introduction of a study period this year we intend to increase the number of study periods to three in order to support students in developing these very important skills.

We are also introducing an enrichment period which will involve all students opting for a variety of enrichment options throughout the year. We have found that after attendance, punctuality and achievement, employers, colleges and university are increasingly looking at participation in extracurricular activities in their selection process. Many of our students do not participate in extracurricular activities and are therefore disadvantaged in their application.

The school week will be as follows:-

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 8.30 am – 3.30pm

Wednesday 8.30 am – 3.45pm, allowing for an enrichment period of 70 minutes

Friday 8.30 am – 2.35 pm.

School buses will run in line with new timings.

Once again thank you for your ongoing support. Should you require further clarification on any of the points raised, please do not hesitate to contact school, either at reception or by email to [office@medenschool.co.uk](mailto:office@medenschool.co.uk) and we will be very happy to help.

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