

Monday 27th February 2023

## Proposal to change the length of the school day

Dear Parent/Carers.

I am writing to tell you about some proposed changes to the length of our school day.

The Government has stated that schools should deliver a school week of at least 32.5 hours by September 2023. This can include breaktimes and lunchtimes but not breakfast or after-school clubs.

Therefore, we are required to increase the length of our school day slightly as set out below and we are now consulting with parents and carers about the proposed changes, this has been done in consultation with Orchard Academy:

Doors will open at 8:35 and close at 8:45 for registration, the end of the school day will remain the same. Resulting in the school day from registration being 8:45am to 3:15pm.

Our consultation on the proposed changes will run from Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March until Thursday 30th March 2023 and you can share your comments in the following ways:

- Visit our school website and complete an online form Shepherdswell Academy (emat.uk)
- Write to us Send a letter with your comments to School Day Consultation, East Midlands Academy Trust, Pyramus House, Roman Way, Northampton, NN4 5EA
- Email us consultation@emat.uk

I appreciate this may affect families in terms of childcare or working arrangements and therefore I would urge you to share your feedback as part of our consultation.

We will write to you with the outcome of our consultation after the consultation ends.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Kind regards

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