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Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to thank you for your feedback regarding the proposed changes to the school schedule for Ark William Parker Academy.

As I outlined during the meeting we held on these proposals, the changes have been put forward to support students in preparation for the requirements of new, linear GCSEs, which cover more subjects, and in greater depth than ever before. Many schools are adopting a similar approach, and we believe these changes are crucial to preparing our students for going on to university and the career of their choice.

Many of you took the time to send in questions and comments, and I want to thank all of you for your passionate interest in our school. We have sought your feedback on these decisions because we want to be as transparent and responsive as possible in decisions that affect our school community.

These changes will now be effective from 1st September 2017.

Day	Year Group	New finish time
Monday to Friday	7 and 8	3.05
Monday and Tuesday	9 to 11	4.05
Wednesday to Friday	9 to 11	3.05

I believe we are all working towards the same goal: the best education possible for the students of Ark William Parker Academy. With that in mind, I thank you once again for taking such an active role in responding to issues affecting your child and our school.

Yours sincerely,

Stephanie Newman
Acting Principal