

Charlestown Community Primary School and Nursery



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Dear parents and carers

As I mentioned in a previous letter, the Government have set out minimum school opening hours from 2023 and therefore as a school, we need to amend the current school day to meet the new government expectations. This will also help us with our lesson organisation and enable children to learn more, which can only be a good thing.

New government requirement: 32.5 hours
Current opening times: 31.25 hours

Governors have met to review this situation and agreed to change the school opening hours from September 2022 to the following:

Monday – Thursday:	8.45am - 3.30pm	
Friday:	8.45am - 2.15pm	total: 32.5 hours

This earlier opening time means that gates will open from 8.30am and close promptly at 8.45am – 15 minutes earlier than the current timings.

ALL children need to be in their classrooms by 8.45am. A free breakfast will continue to be provided.

For those who need an after-school provision on a Friday due to work commitments, we will provide this and more details will follow in the summer term.

We hope that you will welcome the changes and we encourage all families who are currently struggling with the current morning timings to start practicing the earlier start straight away. Your children's education is our priority and we make no apologies for that.

Yours sincerely

Allison Collis
Headteacher