



28th May 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

Today marks the end of the first half of the summer term, it has been an excellent few weeks for the children, the only thing that has been missing is the sun. When you consider all of the schooling the children have missed over the past 15 months, it has been a long seven weeks for them. I am so proud of them.

After nearly 4 years at the academy, the time has come for me to reduce my day-to-day involvement at Croxby. From the Monday after half term, I will be taking up the role of Deputy Director of Educational Services for our Trust (TCAT). I will remain the designated Headteacher at Croxby, but my time at the academy will be reduced to just two days a week. The academy is in a very strong position to move forward due to the excellent leadership team that we have at Croxby.

I am delighted to inform you that Mrs Mason will become Co-Headteacher and lead the academy on a day-to-day basis. She will be supported by our Assistant Headteacher Mrs Lindsay. The success that Croxby has, is in large part down to both Mrs Mason and Mrs Lindsay. I know on the days when I am not in the academy that the children and staff are in great hands.

I want to take this opportunity to thank all our families for the support they have given myself and the academy over the last four years. In particular, I want to thank our fantastic children who have made leading Croxby a pleasure.

Changes to start and finish times

We have successfully used a staggered start and finish time since returning to the academy. We are going to continue with this process but over a shorter period of time. This means reducing from half an hour to 20 minutes. For this to work and be safe for everyone, we need your support. **You must not arrive at the academy before your start or finish time.** Where possible, we would recommend that parents of Year 3 to Year 6 children meet their children at the gate. However, this is parental choice as I know many of you will not be comfortable with this arrangement.

To change any pickup arrangements, please continue to email the academy office. Covid has not gone away, my own child's bubble burst at his school this week. He now misses his half term holiday isolating. We must all work together to stay safe.

Pinch Points

We have a pinch point outside Mrs Rushton's class and Mr Hill's/Mrs Dooley's class. If you are picking up your child from Mrs Rushton's class, please queue on the playground rather than outside the classroom. If your child is in Mr Hill's/Miss Dooley's class, please queue against the wall near the door, allowing room for all our families to walk past safely.

The One-Way System will continue

New Times

Surname	Morning Drop Off	End of the Day Pick Up	Friday Finish
A-G	8:40	3:15	12:15
H-O	8:45	3:20	12:20
P-Z	8:50	3:25	12:25*

8:55 Doors Close

***Includes children who stay for a hot lunch.**

Friday afternoon sessions will continue to finish at 3pm with the same arrangements as before. If both parents work, please book your child a place on the Gateway App.

P.E. and Academy Uniform

The children have had a great half term catching up with their PE lessons. Many thanks for your cooperation. The children will return to wearing their normal academy uniforms from our return on Monday 7th June. Children wishing to wear summer dresses (EYFS to Year 5) can now do so. **On their PE days, children should still wear their PE kit all day.**

EYFS: Monday and Wednesday

Y1: Tuesday and Thursday

Y2: Tuesday and Thursday

Y3: Monday and Thursday

Y4: Monday and Thursday

Y5: Tuesday and Wednesday

Y6: Tuesday and Wednesday

Year 5 Swimming

Finally, just a reminder that Year 5 Swimming lessons start on Monday, 7th June.

Wishing you all a safe and relaxing half term break. The staff are looking forward to seeing you all on Monday 7th June.

Take Care



Mr D M Waterson
Head