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Dear Parent/carer,

I am writing to inform you that the consultation into the proposed change to the school day across each of the Northern Ambition schools has concluded. I would like to thank you both personally and on behalf of the leaders at the other Trust schools for the feedback that you provided as part of this consultation. Every response was considered before a final decision was made about how best to move forward.

From September 2024, it will be a requirement that all state schools and academies have a school week of no less than $32\frac{1}{2}$ hours. This covers the time between when children are expected to arrive on site at the start of the day to when they leave at the end. However, schools have been provided freedom to decide upon a start and finish time that best meets the needs of their community.

As a Trust, we have made the decision to stagger the start and finish times of the primary schools and the secondary school to make it easier for those parents that wish to drop-off and collect their children each day. From September 2024:

- The school day at Airedale Infants, Airedale Junior School and Oyster Park Primary Academy will begin at 8.45am and will end at 3.15pm.
- The school day at Airedale Academy will begin at 8.30am and will end at 3.00pm.

Again, I would like to thank everyone that contributed to the consultation and for your ongoing support of my school and the work that we do for your children.

Yours faithfully,

Cheryl Eastwood Head of School

Airedale Academy