

Planned changes to the academy day and calendar from September 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

We are excited to welcome you to Priesthorpe in September and wanted to share some planned changes with you for the year ahead.

We recently consulted with parents, students, parents, staff, the Trust and our wider partners, we have agreed to the following changes,

- **The school day will end at 3:20pm each day**, with optional enrichment activities ending at 4:15pm. Further details about the enrichment offer will be communicated in September. (We currently finish at 3.15pm.)
- **The start of the school day will not change.** On a Monday, Wednesday and Friday students will still need to arrive at school by 8:25am, ready for a prompt 8:30am start to lessons. On a Tuesday and Thursday students must arrive at 8.55am for a prompt 9.00am start to lessons.
- The day will include **6 lessons** and coaching three times a week. Lessons will be slightly shorter at **55 minutes** long. (We currently have 5 x 65 minute lessons per day.)
- The change will add extra time to the curriculum hours, which, as an academy, allows us to add an additional week of holiday to the October half term, making it a **two week half term. The October holiday will start on Monday 20th October until Friday 31st October.**

From 1st September 2025 our academy day will be,

Monday, Wednesday & Friday			Tuesday & Thursday	
	KS3 (Y7,8&9)	KS4 (Y10&11)	KS3	KS4
8.30-9.00	Student Coaching	Student Coaching	Staff Training Students start at 9am	
9.00-9.55	Lesson 1	Lesson 1	Lesson 1	Lesson 1
9.55-11.10	Lesson 2	Break 9.55-10.15	Lesson 2	Break 9.55-10.15
	Break 10.50-11.10	Lesson 2	Break 10.50-11.10	Lesson 2

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11.10-12.05	Lesson 3	Lesson 3		Lesson 3	Lesson 3
12.05-1.30	Lesson 4	Lunch 12.05-12.35		Lesson 4	Lunch 12.05-12.35
		Lesson 4			Lesson 4
	Lunch 1.00-1.30			Lunch 1.00-1.30	
1.30-2.25	Lesson 5	Lesson 5		Lesson 5	Lesson 5
2.25-3.20	Lesson 6	Lesson 6		Lesson 6	Lesson 6

We understand you may have questions relating to the change. Please get in touch using our school email at info@cooppriesthorpe.co.uk or with Mrs Cronshaw at prie-year6transitions@coopacademies.co.uk if you have any questions at all.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully,

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