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Dear parents and carers,

Change to the times of the school day from September 2024

I am writing to advise you of a change to the school hours from September 2024 for children in our ASD Resourced Units.

We have been concerned at the length of time children in our ASD Units, who are brought to school in taxis or via minibuses, have to wait at both the start and end of the day – until the mainstream school have entered and left the building. There are a minimum of 800 people on site at this time – with parents bringing and collecting children.

Currently the children in Mr Parry's, Mr Taylor's and Mrs Causey's class are having to wait longer to leave the building and are then transported by taxi or minibus home, which can result in an extremely long day which leads to greater anxiety.

From the beginning of the new academic year the gates for mainstream classes will close at 8.50 a.m. – enabling your child to arrive between 8.50 a.m. and 9 a.m. in their taxi. This will reduce waiting time in the morning.

The end of day time will be brought forward for taxi collection to 3 p.m. This means that children will be offsite before the end of the mainstream school day– reducing pressure on the car park for the taxis who are currently faced with a challenge each day at arrival and end of day – often resulting in health and safety concerns. We know this currently causes anxiety for children, escorts and drivers.

We will be advising Sefton Transport of the change to these hours.

If you collect your child personally or collect other children from the mainstream classes in the school – we will provide free after school care until 3.25 p.m. if required.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Baldwin

Headteacher



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