

Graham James Primary Academy

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Dear Parents

As you may already be aware, the DfE have stipulated that by September 2023, all mainstream schools will be expected to provide a compulsory week of 32.5 hours, this equates to a school day from 8.45 am until 3.15 pm.

To this end, from September 2023 we will be opening the School gates from 8.40 am with the School day starting at 8.45 am. The gates will then close at 8.55 am. If your child arrives to school after the gates are closed they will need to enter school through the front office. The school day will finish at 3.15 pm as it does now.

Please can we ask that parents of Key Stage 2 children (years 3-6) drop their children at the gate in the mornings where they will walk around to their classrooms which will be open for them to enter? Parents should not enter the playground.

Parents of Key Stage 1 children should drop their children off at their classroom doors and collect from there at the end of the school day.

All parents are able to enter the playground after school and collect their children.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Petra Back
Head Teacher