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# GILES JUNIOR SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer,

## Timings of the school day

As we are adjusting to the slight easing of restrictions, we are continuing to make sure we remain cautious to avoid any possible disruption to the end of the school year. One aspect we have reviewed is the gathering of groups before and after school. It is crucial we continue to adhere to social distancing and make a swift entrance and exit to the school day. Please read the following information carefully for a change to the end of the school day, which we will monitor to see if it eases the congestion.

## Reminder – the start of the school day

The school door is open at 8:40am and children are permitted to come in any time between 8:40am and 9:00am. If you bring your child to school, please arrive between these times rather than before. If your child is walking to school by themselves please arrange a time which is suitable for them to leave to **avoid them arriving before 8:40**. There are large groups of children arriving 10-15 minutes before school and it does increase the risk of class mixing which are working hard to avoid in school. Mixing in this way may cause multiple classes to self-isolate which we desperately want to avoid before the end of the school year.

## End of the school day – Changes

**From Monday 28<sup>th</sup> June the end of the school day will be 3:00pm for all pupils.** We hope that this will avoid large groups needing to wait for siblings and that **ONE ADULT** can do a quick collection while adhering to the one-way system and leave the school site promptly. This will make sure that we can then review if this system is feasible in preparation for September. The gates on the Junior School site will **not be open before 2:55pm** so we can keep the site secure while the children are still on site.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Louise Whitby  
Headteacher

