



The Astley Cooper School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

It was lovely to see students back in school yesterday after the Easter break. The Year 11 and 13 students have come back with a determined focus for their summer exams and students across the school worked well in their lessons yesterday. As mentioned in the end of term newsletter, there are some changes to the timing of the school day with more information now available below.

Lunch time

Starting from Monday 22 April for the duration of the examination period, we are moving the lunch break forward by one hour - lunch will be from 12:25 to 1:05. This will ensure the students sitting their exams are able to have their lunch before the exams start and the exams are not disturbed by students outside at lunch time. Additionally, the length of the lunch break will be 10 minutes shorter as the number of students in school for lunch is reduced as the Year 11 and 13 students complete their exams.

The new timings of the school day are:

Time	Activity
8:00 to 8:30	Arrive at school
8:30 to 9:00	Line up and form time
9:00 to 10:00	Lesson 1
10:00 to 11:00	Lesson 2
11:00 to 11:25	Break time
11:25 to 12:25	Lesson 3
12:25 to 1:05	Lunch time
1:05 to 2:05	Lesson 4
2:05 to 3:05	Lesson 5
3:05 to 3:15	Focus time



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Focus time

At the end of each school day, there will be a 10 minute 'focus time' slot where students will be able to reflect on their day, focus on a topic of interest in the news or complete a short teacher directed activity. We will also be using this time to collect students for their detentions to ensure they are able to attend and have a restorative conversation with their teachers.

Yours sincerely

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