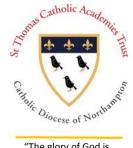


# ST. ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL & NURSERY

In the Diocese of Northampton



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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have been reviewing the times of the day for September and have decided to make some adjustments for the new academic year.

We hope that all children will be able to return to a normal routine in September and that there will no longer be a need to stagger the start and end times of the day.

As it has been so successful starting the day earlier for many children, and many parents have expressed an interest in children starting the day earlier going forward, the following times of the day will be operative from Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2021.

Year Reception to Year 6 (Nursery have different times, depending on whether they are 30 hours, AM or PM attendees)

Breakfast Club, or Booster for certain children	8:00am start
Start time every day	8:15 – doors open 8:30 – Registration begins All children must be in by 8:30am to start the day
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday end of the day time	3:30pm
Friday every week	1:30pm finish
Friday every week	1:30pm – 3:30pm Optional free after school activities/ interventions/ booster groups

#### Why are we making these changes?

The new system will ensure that children have all of the learning time that they are entitled to, and more. Children will have more focused learning time with a teacher during the week. Children will also have the opportunity to enjoy activities at home on a Friday afternoon with family, or they can participate in fun activities at school with their friends during the afternoon provision. This also gives families the flexibility to travel earlier on a Friday if they plan to go away; something many parents and carers have expressed an interest in being able to do.



### Early Finish on a Friday

The children will not miss any learning time; every child will get more than the full quota of teaching hours. The minimum requirement is 25 hours per week; at St. Anthony's we want the best for your children and we want to maximise their learning time, and they are therefore learning in school for 27/28 hours per week. We feel children learn best in the morning, which is why we want to start a little earlier; we have seen the benefits of this early start during the pandemic and want the benefits of this early start to continue.

You are able to collect your child at 1:30pm on a Friday every week.

If you are unable to collect at this time, due to work commitments, there will be a free after school club running from Reception to Year 6. Please note that you can either collect at 1:30pm or at 3:30pm, not in between these times.

There will be a range of activities for the children to participate in; I will release an example list to you shortly, but this will include sports, art, Latin, music, etc. There will also be an opportunity for staff to run booster groups for those who would benefit; this will be in consultation with their teacher.

### How will I book the after school provision?

We are currently looking at various options and will confirm this at a later date.

## We welcome your feedback!

Please email post@stanthonys.slough.sch.uk with any feedback.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Oppe Headteacher



