



ST. ANDREW'S CE (VA) JUNIOR SCHOOL

Promoting excellence within a caring, Christian community

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To all parents and carers,

You may have seen that we are having the roof replaced above our Year 6 classrooms. The roofers are ahead of schedule meaning that our year 6 pupils are now able to access their classrooms as usual. There will be some banging on the roof but we are safe to use the space underneath which is much better than the original time scale.

However, I had planned on having a one way in, one way out system and making use of the top field gate to reduce congestion by the entrance to the playground. Unfortunately, we are unable to use the top field gate due to there being skips and building equipment in this area. This was not on our original plan.

Therefore I am proposing that we offer a **temporary staggered end to the school day** to reduce the number of people entering and leaving the grounds at the same time.

I propose that whilst the scaffolding is around the Year 6 classrooms, children in **Years 3 and 5 finish school at 3.15pm** and children in **Years 4 and 6 continue to finish at 3.25pm**.

Teachers will remain with any children who have not been picked up at 3.15pm and so there is no need to worry if this time doesn't work due to picking up siblings from the Infant school or because of work commitments. We just feel that it should help to reduce the congestion as much as possible. Children who attend our after school clubs or wraparound care will attend at 3.25 as usual. Finishing at 3.15pm will not impact on this as the children will remain in class until 3.25pm if required.

If you have a child in two different year groups who finish at different times, please come at the later time rather than waiting in the playground.

Please can I ask that we have single file traffic going down the paths and that we always stay to the left of the path and that parents/carers exit near the steps as quickly as possible. Please avoid standing around the gate area as this area can become very congested.

I will monitor this new plan of action and see if the suggestions stated above are working in terms of keeping our families safe.

Thank you for your continued support.

Amanda Jocelyn
Executive Head Teacher

