

Dear Parent/Carer

2 July 2022

Re: Welcome and invitation

I am delighted to be able to write to you today to confirm the exciting news that from 1 July 2022, Hanson has officially joined Delta Academies Trust, one of the very highest performing Trusts in the country.

At Delta, we firmly believe that every child should have access to an excellent education and we deliver this for the communities we serve by providing outstanding leadership, excellent teaching and support for staff and for all students. Outcomes for children in our academies are significantly above average for both Primary and Secondary. In the last published performance tables, nearly 70% of secondary students across the Trust achieved a Grade 4 or better in both English and Maths.

We also pride ourselves on our inclusive schools and we were recently cited in a 'Cabinet Office report' for our work in closing the gap for disadvantaged children. Our academies provide a safe and caring environment where children are valued and happy. We are proud of our achievements but remain ambitious for our children and our wider communities.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who have helped to bring the transfer to a conclusion, including Bradford Council, the former school governing body and in particular Richard Woods. His help and support during the recent transfer process has been invaluable both to me and the wider Delta team and I am sure you will join me in wishing him well as he moves on to new ventures.

We are excited to begin working with you, and to play a role in helping Hanson to continue the school improvement journey it has already begun. We will work to build on the existing successes of the school, working closely with staff, governors, parents and carers, while introducing approaches and innovations that we are confident will support Hanson students to fulfil their potential and provide staff with the opportunity to draw on Trust wide approaches and resources.

One of these proposed changes relates to the school day. Full details of our proposal and the small change this will make to the start and finish times for the school day are included overleaf. If implemented following the consultation process, this change will align the school days between all Secondary Schools within the Trust. We believe that this will support teaching and learning in the school by:

- Providing a more effective start to learning in the classroom.
- Supporting student movement around the academy more effectively
- Offering more opportunity for enrichment activities between 2:30pm and 3:30pm
- Allowing students to make their way home in daylight during the winter months.
- Allowing two hours of continued professional development for staff each week.

We would welcome the views of staff and parents regarding these proposals. To respond, please email info@hansonacademy.org.uk, including 'CONSULTATION RESPONSE' in the subject line of your email. The consultation period starts on Monday 4th July 2022 and will close at 9am on Monday 18th July 2022. We will also run a consultation evening for parents on Wednesday 13th July at 4.30 – 5.00pm if you have any questions regarding the changes to the school day.

I look forward to having the opportunity to meet you all over the coming months and would like to thank you for the warm welcome you and your children have already extended to me.

Yours faithfully



Mr David Hewitt
Associate Executive Principal

Proposed School Day

We are proposing to change the school day with effect from September 2022, and to align the school days between all secondary schools within the Trust. This involves a small change to the start and finish times for the school day and I hope you can support us to introduce this change. The preferred school day is outlined below:

Time	Lesson		
8:25am-9:25am	Period 1		
9:25am-10:25am	Period 2		
10:25am-10:40am	Break Year 8, Year 10, Year 12 and 13	Tutor Time Year 7, 9 & 11	
10:45am-11:00am	Break Year 7, 9 & 11	Tutor Time Year 8, Year 10, Year 12 and 13	
11:00am-12:00pm	Period 3		
12:00pm-12:30pm	Year 7 Period 4 (a)	Year 8 & 10 & FA Lunch	Year 9 & 11 Period 4
12:30pm-1:00pm	Year 7 Lunch	Year 8 & 10 Period 4	
1:00pm-1:30pm	Year 7 Period 4 (b)		Year 9, 11, 12 & 13 lunch
1:30pm-2:30pm	Period 5		
2:30pm-3:30pm	End of school day – 2.30p.m. Optional enrichment and academic support to 3.30 p.m.		

The reasons for changing the school day timings are as follows:

- It will provide a more effective start to learning in the classroom.
- We are seeking to manage student movement around the academy more effectively
- More opportunity for enrichment activities between 2:30pm and 3:30pm whilst still allowing students to make their way home in daylight during the winter months.
- Students will be home in time to take part in any other activities outside the academy.
- The school day will allow for 2 hours of continued professional development for staff each week.

Next Stages of Consultation

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Following the consultation, we will update you before the end of July 2022 on the outcome. If the proposal is approved, we plan to implement the changes from the start of the academic year on 7th September 2022.