



*'A Caring Christian Family Where We Grow Together'*

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Dear Parents and carers

I am writing to inform you of the planned change to the school day at Rural Church Schools Academy Trust. This proposed change is in line with recent Government recommendation and has been agreed by the Board of Directors of RCSAT following the recent consultation.

As you will be aware over the past four weeks we have consulted on the school opening hours. Earlier this year the government announced that schools in England should offer a minimum school week of 32.5 hours as part of a package of reforms aimed at raising standards. Most schools already deliver a 32.5-hour school week, which is equivalent to 8.45am to 3.15pm from Monday to Friday.

From September 2023, the school opening times for Bunbury Aldersey CE Primary will be **8.45am – 3.15pm**.

Gates will open in the morning at **8.30am** with children able to go straight into the classroom and morning work can be completed, as we do now. A member of staff will continue to be at the end of the drive and on the playground for communication. As is the procedure now, we ask that parents do not enter school at this time. Any entry must be via the front entrance and signed onto the premises.

Registers will be taken at **8.45am** and **gates will close promptly. Children will be marked as late if they arrive after this time.**

Gates will open at the end of the day at **3.05pm**

Children will be handed over to parents at **3.15pm**. Once collected, we ask that families leave the school site promptly to aid with the congestion around the school and particularly on School Lane.

Bunbury Badgers and all enrichment clubs will continue to open around these agreed start and finish times.

I appreciate the proposed changes may affect you, in terms of childcare or working arrangements, and in terms of your child's education. These changes will be beneficial to the school community bringing us into line with the government White Paper proposal that all schools deliver a standard school week of 32.5 hours which is aimed at having a positive effect on your child's education.

Yours sincerely,

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