

## **CHANGE TO LESSON TIMES 2016**

26<sup>th</sup> November 2015

Dear Parents/Caregivers

I am writing to let you know that from the beginning of next year, the structure of our school lesson times will be changing.

**This will not affect start or finish times.**

In order to provide staff with their entitlement of NIT (Non-Instructional Time), it has become necessary to make our lessons 50 minutes instead of the current 60 minutes.

Full-time teachers are entitled to 250 minutes of NIT. This cannot be done equitably under the current 60 minute configuration.

In 2016, the days will be configured as follows:

8:30am –	Children enter the yard
8:40am –	Bell goes to enter classrooms (day begins)
8:50am –	Lesson 1
9:40am –	Lesson 2
10:30am –	Recess
10:50am –	Lesson 3
11:40am –	Lesson 4
12:30pm –	Eating Time
12:40pm –	Lunch
1:20pm –	Lesson 5
2:10pm –	Lesson 6
3:00pm -	Hometime

This structure has a number of benefits including an earlier recess & lunch, equitable NIT for staff and 100 minute blocks of time at the start, middle and end of day.

Thank you for your on-going support.

Yours Sincerely

Mike Tate  
**Principal**