# **King Ina Church of England Academy**

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**Dear Parents and Carers** 

## **Ofsted**

Thank you to those parents and carers who attended our Ofsted information evening last Wednesday. We appreciate all the support that has been shown to us since we shared the final report with you. We are continuing our challenge with Ofsted and will let you know the outcome in due course.

## Extending the school day

The government has published guidance detailing the expected length of the school day from September 2024. The expectation is that all schools will have a minimum core school week of 32.5 hours. At King Ina, we currently have a core school week of 32 hours and 5 minutes; 8.50am - 3.15pm daily. It is therefore necessary for us to extend our school day by 5 minutes per day, to meet the new government guidance. Therefore, from September, we will be opening our school gates at 8.30am (instead of 8.35am) and will take the registers at 8.45am, (instead of 8.50am). This still gives a 15-minute window for children to get on to the school site and to classrooms. We hope that by letting you know before the summer holiday, we are giving you enough time to make the necessary adjustments to drop off time.

### Attendance

In order for children to achieve their very best at school, it is imperative that all children attend school regularly and punctually. High attainment depends on good and regular attendance. Please note that holidays should only be taken during the school holidays, not during term time and unauthorised absences relating to term time leave is likely to result in parents being issued a Penalty Notice for each child absent from school. It is important that we continue to work with children and families to ensure that each pupil attends school regularly and we would appreciate your support in ensuring the best attendance for all children.

### School uniform

Please refer to our school website for details of our school uniform expectations: King Ina Academy - Uniform. It is important that children are appropriately dressed and represent the school smartly. In September, children will continue to come to school in PE kits on their PE days but they must wear all school uniform on all other days. Please note that the PE kit uniform is also detailed on the above link – children must adhere to this too. If they are attending an after school sport club, they can also wear PE kit on that day. If children are attending a lunchtime sport club, they should wear full school uniform but bring suitable footwear to change in to.

From all of us here at King Ina, we thank you for your continued support this year and look forward to working with you again in September. We wish the Year 6 children the very best of luck as they move on to their secondary schools and hope you and your families have a lovely summer holiday.

Best wishes

Mrs S Svenson Headteacher