



Timetable Restructure

Information for the Parent Forum

2 September 2008

Intended Outcomes

By the end of this presentation, we hope you will have:

- **information about the story so far**
- **information about how you can respond to the parent consultation**
- **the opportunity to ask questions**



Background

Glasgow Education Services has 5 stated objectives, which secondary schools have to meet in their timetable structure. They are:

- increased time allocation for physical education S1-S4
- equalisation of teaching time for S5/S6 courses
- increased time allocation for literacy and numeracy in S1-S4
- enhanced provision for pastoral care/tutor time
- efficient use of teaching time resources

Meeting the Objectives

- Education Services' policy is that schools should have moved to a 33-period week (or variation of it) from August 2008, in order to meet these objectives.
- A short-life working group (staff and parent representative) has been working on the issue. King's Park Secondary School's 25-period week does not meet all the objectives, and cannot be amended to do so.
- Because our 25-period week timetable is so different from that of other schools, Education Services have agreed that King's Park Secondary may postpone the introduction of the 33-period week until next session – one year only. Other Glasgow secondary schools have already changed.

What is a 33-period Week?

- Every period lasts 50 minutes
- There is an asymmetric week (long days and short days)
- In King's Park, we are going to use one of the periods to give a 10-minute registration slot every day (5 x 10 mins = 50 mins). So we will have 32+1 periods.
- This means we will have TWO long days and THREE short days.

Decisions to be Made

Pupils and staff have already been asked their views about the following:

- Continue Registration?
- How long?
- Which should be the long days?
- Finish by 4 pm on long days?
- Start time?
- Length of lunch break?
- On long days, should the 3 periods be BEFORE or AFTER lunch?

Now we would like parents to give their views.



Consultation

On the Feedback Form, you will be asked to give your views about:

- Which should be the long days
- Start time
- Lunch break
- Timing of registration.

You will be asked if you have any other comments.

Two example timetables are given, and we hope these will be helpful.

Example 1

EXAMPLE 1	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Start	8.55 am	8.55 am	8.55 am	8.55 am	8.55 am
Interval	10.45-11.00	10.45-11.00	10.45-11.00	10.45-11.00	10.45-11.00
Lunch	12.40-1.30	12.40-1.30	12.40-1.30	12.40-1.30	12.40-1.30
Close		3.10 pm		3.10 pm	3.10 pm
	4.00 pm		4.00 pm		

Example 2

EXAMPLE 2	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Start	8.50 am	8.50 am	8.50 am	8.50 am	8.50 am
Interval			10.40-10.55	10.40-10.55	10.40-10.55
	11.30-11.45	11.30-11.45			
Lunch			12.40-1.30	12.40-1.30	12.40-1.30
	1.25-2.15	1.25-2.15			
Close			3.05 pm	3.05 pm	3.05 pm
	3.55 pm	3.55 pm			

The Feedback Form will be issued to all parents, and put on the school website.

King's Park Secondary School - Timetable Restructure - Feedback From Parents

Please give your name _____ Name of pupil _____ Class _____

Please answer the questions below. The sample timetables at the end of the page might be helpful.

Question 1
Two of our days will be longer than the others. Which 2 days should be the longer days? Please tick.

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Don't know/don't mind
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Question 2 - Start time
What should be the start time be? Please tick.

8.55 am	8.50 am	Other (please state) _____	Don't know/don't mind
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Question 3 - Length of Lunch Break
The examples show a 50 minute lunch break, compared to 60 minutes currently. This is to make sure that school closes before 4 pm. Any comments? _____

Question 4 - Timing of Lunch Break
One of the examples shows lunch at the same time each day. The other example shows a later lunch on the longer days. Do you have a preference?
Same time each day Later on longer days Don't know/don't mind

Question 4 - Registration
Registration could be first thing in the morning, or later in the morning. Any comments? _____

If you have any other comments, please add them to the back. Thank you for your response.
Please return your response to King's Park Secondary School by Friday 18 September 2008. Thank you.

EXAMPLE 1

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Start	8.55 am	8.55 am	8.55 am	8.55 am	8.55 am
Interval	10.45-11.00	10.45-11.00	10.45-11.00	10.45-11.00	10.45-11.00
Lunch	12.40-1.30	12.40-1.30	12.40-1.30	12.40-1.30	12.40-1.30
Close	4.00 pm	3.10 pm	4.00 pm	3.10 pm	3.10 pm

EXAMPLE 2

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Start	8.50 am	8.50 am	8.50 am	8.50 am	8.50 am
Interval	11.30-11.45	11.30-11.45	10.40-10.55	10.40-10.55	10.40-10.55
Lunch	1.25-2.15	1.25-2.15	12.40-1.30	12.40-1.30	12.40-1.30
Close	3.55 pm	3.55 pm	3.05 pm	3.05 pm	3.05 pm



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BY FRIDAY 19 SEPTEMBER 2008.

Thank you.



**Questions/
Comments?**