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Head Teacher Mr Peter Holmes

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Dear Parent/Carer

As you are hopefully aware next session 2013-2014 will be the first year where fourth year learners from All Saints sit the new National Qualifications. One of the key features of these qualifications is that unlike Standard Grade exams they are taken over one year. We have had to consider how we re-arrange the curriculum in the senior school to accommodate this as well as a number of changes which Curriculum for Excellence brings.

For our current third year learners, the main effect is that they will take six subjects in fourth year. The reason for this is so that they have the maximum time possible to achieve excellent results at National 3, 4 and 5 levels. At our parent's evenings we have been discussing this change and the implications of it for our fourth year learners.

In order to accommodate a daily time for personal support in our school day and provide opportunities for personal achievement and development we have decided to have a daily 15 minute tutor slot and a weekly 75 minute activity slot for the whole school.

With all this change, the school day needs to be re-organised. We propose to maintain our start times but change our interval, lunch and end/finish times as is laid out below. I am confident that this new structure will help to achieve our aim which is to provide an excellent learning experience for all of our learners.

4 Days - these would be Tuesday to Friday:

Start 8:50am

Interval 11:20am -11:35am

Lunch 1:05pm -1:45pm

Finish 3:00pm

1 Day - Monday

Start 8:50am

Interval 11:20am -11:35am

Lunch 1:05pm -1:45pm

Finish 4:15pm

Please contact me directly or any of the Year Heads for your child's year group if you wish to discuss in more detail any of the above.

Yours faithfully

Mr P Holmes **Head Teacher**









Homes