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Dear Parent/Carers

We have had a fantastic couple of days welcoming pupils back into school. All signs point to another positive and productive school year with our skilled, devoted and enthusiastic staff ensuring pupils are safe, happy and ready to learn.

Please be reminded that from tomorrow, September 9, pupils will be dismissed at 1:30 every Friday. This change follows the consultation process we carried out last spring. This dismissal time applies to pupils on our main site, at Ufton Lane and to pupils in our Sunny Bank satellite classes.

We are not in a position to provide childcare as all staff will be taking part in training every Friday afternoon.

Some enquiries have reached the office regarding responses to the consultation and I am happy to share the following with you:

- there were 179 responses in total (this includes responses from parents, staff and other stakeholders)
- 62% of the responses were in favour of the proposal
- 32% of the responses were not in favour of the proposal
- 4% were undecided
- 14.6% of parents responses were not in favour of the proposal

Please be mindful that this was a consultation process in which responses were considered by Governors and that this differs from a voting process.

I shall keep you updated throughout the trial period regarding our new approach to ensuring staff have the training they require to meet the needs of our pupils.

As always, thank you for your support.

Best Wishes & Warmest Regards,



Jill M. Palmer
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