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Dear Parent/Carer

As you are probably aware we have been growing as an Academy over the past number of years. This has been closely monitored by the Academy and our Multi Academy Trust staff. As a result of having more numbers of students than ever before we have made the decision to streamline some existing systems and processes within the Academy day and alter the school day structure and lunch routine to best accommodate the increased numbers of students.

As such, from September, we will be introducing a split lunch system. This means that there will be two lunch sittings with students being on either first or second lunch depending on their Abbey. Students will be told which lunch they are on as part of their induction in September. Lunch times will be a 35 minute sitting but with fewer students, which means shorter queuing times and a calmer dining experience for our student and staff community. In addition this split lunch system will provide more social space for students during their lunch break.

The start and end time of the school day will remain the same. The length of subject lesson times will remain the same, as will the number of lessons. However, tutor time will be 35 minutes, making more time for quality tutor time activities, collective worship, silent reflection and the building of peer relationships.

Identified lunch time activities will still be on offer for students and this will be shared with students upon their return in September. All students have received an assembly on the new split lunch system this week, to clarify the new system and expectations of our students from September.

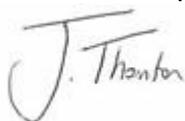
Academy lunch time detentions will no longer exist as we feel it important that every child in the Academy gets a chance to have time to eat and socialise with their peers. This means that all detentions will be held after school, with students receiving either a 30 minute or 60 minute detention depending on the situation. Families will be alerted to a detention the 48 hours before it is due to be held to allow alternative after school travel arrangements to be made if necessary. Alerts will be through Class Charts as they are currently.



Below is the new structure of the Academy day which students have been told about in assemblies this week. We thank you all in advance for your support and co-operation in the implementation of this new system. As a Trust we have spent time considering all lunch time options and firmly believe in the benefits of this approach, as it means we can continue with our vertical tutoring system which is an identified strength of our Academy. Students will be able to socialise with their year groups peers during first break.

Period 1	8.25 - 9.30
Period 2	9.30 - 10.30
Break time	10.30 - 10.50
Period 3	10.50 - 11.50
Period 4	11.50 - 12.50
Lunch or Tutor Time	12.50 - 13.25 Lunch Whitby / Easby / Fountains Tutor time Bolton / Rievaulx / Selby / Post16
Tutor Time or Lunch	13.25 - 14:00 Lunch Bolton / Rievaulx / Selby / Post16 Tutor time Whitby / Easby / Fountains
Period 5	14.00 - 15:00
After school detentions	15.00 – 15.30 and 15.00 – 16.00

Yours faithfully



Mrs J Thornton
Acting Principal