

# St Augustine's RC High School



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Dear Parent/Guardian

I am happy to inform you that this year 96% of our pupils left school for a positive destination. This has put us in the top 3 schools in Edinburgh. As always, we are keen to not only improve upon this figure but improve the quality of our positive destinations which is often dependent on exam results and a variety of different courses.

This year we have evaluated our Curriculum Provision. We would like to increase the number of National 4/5 qualifications from 6 to 7 to bring us in line with the majority of schools in Edinburgh. We would also like to give our younger pupils the opportunity to gain additional knowledge in curricular areas of STEM , Employability and Enterprise and a second Modern Language.

Following a consultation with staff, pupils and parents, we have modified the school day which will allow us to make these curricular improvements.

From the new timetable **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June**, school will begin at the usual time 8.40. However, from Monday to Thursday the school day will be shorter than it has been – a great advantage come the dark winter nights!  
On Mondays and Wednesdays, school will end at 3.33pm  
and on Tuesdays and Thursdays, school will end at 3.19pm.

On Fridays school will now finish at lunchtime that is 1.01pm.

In order to do this, we have shortened a few lessons by 2 minutes and this explains the unusual times for the end of lessons.

The times of the school buses will also be changed to reflect the end of the school day.

We are confident that our new curriculum provision will give your child a better learning experience and a head start for life beyond school.

Yours faithfully

Mr M McGee