

28th February 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

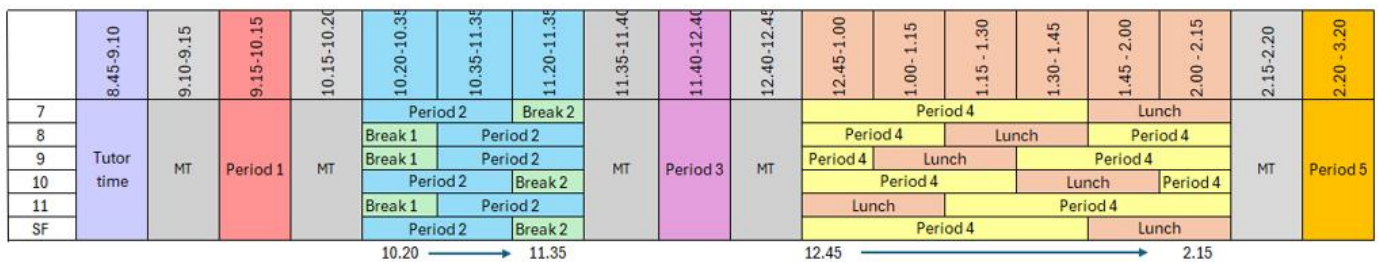
What a positive first week back. I have been in the fortunate position of being able to be out and about in lessons for a significant amount of time this week, and when students show strong resilience and a can-do attitude, progress and greater understanding in subjects is achieved. I am also grateful for the support of staff who set up and supported a large number of our Sixth Form students visiting TDA for the joint TDET Careers Fair this week.

Training day – Friday 7th March:

The main reason for this additional communication is to remind you that next Friday, March 7th, is a training day here at QKA therefore the school will be closed to students. As I said before, if there is an urgent need for your son or daughter to attend school on this day, then please contact Reception on the main school number to request a place for a silent work environment. We will only be able to look after those students who have been booked in with us.

New learning day – from Monday 10th March:

I am delighted to confirm with you that we are able to revert back to our original start of the day at 8.45am. This is supported by some internal changes to the schedule of the learning day which will still finish at 3.20pm. Below is a graphic which shows the rhythm of the new learning day, which will come into effect from Monday 10th March.



Key:
MT = Movement Time

Sixth Form
SF =

Y8, Y9, 10.20 -
Break 1: Y11 10.35

Y7, Y10, 11.20 -
Break 2: SF 11.35

Lunch Time:

Y11 12.45 - 1.15

Y9 1.00 - 1.30

Y8 1.15 - 1.45

Y10 1.30 - 2.00

Y7 1.45 - 2.15

SF 1.45 - 2.15



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Please note that Tutor Time is back at the beginning of the school day. Students must be here no later than 8.40am to ensure a prompt 8.45am start to Tutor Time. I thank you for your support in ensuring your sons and daughters are here on time every day.

Please note that students will continue to have the same 30 minutes for lunch, but this is now spread by year group throughout period 4, with an aim of improving their dining experience and reducing the amount of time spent queueing.

As ever, thank you for your continued support of all that we are attempting to do for the students here at QKA.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rick Carroll', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Rick Carroll
Acting Principal