

17th July 2019

Dear Parents and carers,

I am writing to inform you of a planned change to the Golden Eagle provision at Wellington Primary Academy. Following feedback regularly received from parents, it has been identified that many parents find it difficult and inconvenient to pick up key stage 1 children at 3.30pm and return to school an hour later to pick up key stage 2 siblings. Another concern often raised is the inflexible nature of the provision, making it difficult for families to arrange outside activities and appointments. The other main area of concern parents express is that their children are very tired from having an extended school day, an hour longer than other local primary schools and our concern is that this is not enhancing pupils' learning. The Board has therefore taken the decision that it is not beneficial to continue running Golden Eagle in its current form.

We are very committed to offering a fully enriched experience to all our pupils at Wellington Primary Academy and are therefore in the process of devising a wide and varied selection of after school clubs for all age groups. We envisage these will offer many similar opportunities that are currently available to pupils as well as some exciting new ones and there will also be opportunities for Key stage 1 pupils to participate as well.

We envisage that clubs will be run from 3.30-4.30 pm and children would be able to select on a termly basis which clubs they would like to attend, giving parents far greater flexibility. When we have more information from our club providers, we will be able to inform parents of any cost implications.

Welly Extra will continue to run and we are creating additional spaces so that parents that rely on after school care will be able to secure a place.

We would very much like to hear from parents about what clubs they would like us to offer and we will also be discussing this with the children. You can email the school with any suggestions on wpadmin@wellingtonprimary.org.uk

Thank-you for your continued support,



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