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Dear parents and caregivers

Over the last two months many families have contacted me in relation to our timetable reconfiguration for 2018. As I indicated in my last letter, I have approached Governing Council to seek their support for a review process to ascertain if the intended advantages have worked and to address issues that families have raised. The review process was approved by school Governing Council at our recent meeting.

The review will be conducted over weeks 6-9 of this term and will involve students, staff and families in both discussion forums and online surveys. Through this process it is envisaged that all members of our school community will be consulted at least once.

Families will receive advice of how to access the surveys in coming weeks via email, a letter and our website. Families without internet access will be able to request a paper copy of the survey from the front office. In addition families may wish to attend one of two discussion forums as outlined below.

To register your attendance, please phone our reception on 82589855.

Family discussion forum 1: Tuesday March 13th, 9:00am-9:45am followed by coffee.

Family discussion forum 2: Tuesday March 13th, 7:00pm-7:45pm followed by coffee.

At each of the forums participants will be asked to describe how the timetable reconfiguration has assisted students (consistent with the intent), what issues have arisen for them with the changes and about any recommendations they have for the future.

Following the meetings, survey and forum responses will be discussed by a reference team of students, staff and family members of Governing Council. This group will then make recommendations to Governing Council about the nature of any changes sought. Governing Council will then make recommendations to the Principal.

The outcomes of the review and any changes recommended will be communicated to all families. If changes are recommended, a timeline will be established that allows for adequate communication with families and for the school to make adjustments to lessons, teacher work times, ancillary staff work arrangements and revised times for community agencies who support student and school programs.

Thank you

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