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Dear Parent/Caregiver,

The purpose of this letter is to inform you of the recommendations of our Timetable Review Committee and to make you aware of changes that will occur from the commencement of Semester 2 in week 9, June 25th.

You may recollect that the Timetable Review Committee was formed as a temporary Governing Council subcommittee to review the effectiveness of the reconfigured Timetable introduced in January 2018. The committee had student, parent and staff members.

The Review Committee sought and received responses from students, families and staff in very consultative processes.

The recommendations from the committee were accepted by Governing Council at its May meeting and adopted by the principal. The recommendations include the following:

- Move the school start time to 8.40am
- Adopt a finishing time no later than 3.10pm
- Allocate 20 minutes to recess and 40 minutes for lunch
- Have staff professional learning time on Monday afternoons (not Wednesday mornings) with an early dismissal for students on Mondays (like last year)
- Retain 2 x 45 minutes home group times

The school leadership team are now developing a new timetable to enact these recommendations and students will receive these new timetables closer to week 9, ready for Semester 2 (as normal).

The school's leadership team have noted responses requesting improved communication as part of school change processes and we will improve in this area.

Please note this new Timetable will not commence until Monday June 25th (the start of Semester 2).

I would like to thank the student, parent and staff members of the Review Committee for their work in ensuring our school continues to improve in all the things that we do.

Kind regards

Martin Lippett
Principal
Parafield Gardens High School



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