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Consultation on proposed change of age ranges at Rockland St Mary and Surlingham Primary Schools Frequently Asked Questions

What support will be available for parents to get their children to school – ie if they don't drive and their child will need to attend the school in the next village?

We're looking at a number of options to support families who will have transport issues as a result of the proposal. This includes seeking advice from Norfolk County Council on whether children will be eligible for free school transport from them, looking at whether there's an option locally to provide transport between the two schools, and establishing a lift-share solutions.

Will earlier / later drop off times be available to parents?

We will stagger the school start and finish times to ensure that parents with children at both Rockland and Surlingham are able to get their children to school on time. We will also improve the availability of before and after school clubs to provide wrap around care to those families who need it.

Where will parents park when dropping / picking up their children?

We recognise that parking is an issue and is something that may become more difficult if the proposal goes ahead. We would ask people who live locally to walk or cycle if possible, and for people to park considerately. At **Rockland** Black Horse Dyke car park or The Street nearby to the Parish Rooms is the best place to park, from here it is a short walk down School Lane. Please do not drive down School Lane, which is very narrow. At **Surlingham** parking is available around the pond and on the road nearby to the school.

What time will drop off and pick-up be for the Pre-School?

This is likely to be combined with the start and end times of the Rockland St Mary School day and also a lunchtime collection/drop off for those who will do half days.

Will children at the Pre-School be able to go to the breakfast club or after school club?

This is something we would need to explore as the ratios required for children who are 2 and 3 years of age are different from school aged children.

Will it be possible to claim the 30hr of free funding for my children attending the Pre-School?

Yes, it is envisaged that the pre-school will be open the same hours as the rest of the school.

How will you fit the Pre-School into Rockland St Mary Primary if you have a single class for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2?

We recognise that at the start, we shall still have some very small year groups so we may need to combined two years into one class.

What time will breakfast club be available?

We are asking for feedback about timings for the breakfast club on the consultation questionnaire and will review the timings in light of people's responses.

What time will after school club be available?

As above, we are asking for feedback about timings.