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Benefits of longer School hours for Nursery and Kindergarten learners

Dear Parent,

Based on suggestions received from parents at the various PTM's and the 'You, Me and My Classroom' sessions and seeing the growth of the PYP curriculum, it is observed that early learners benefit more with longer hours at school.

It allows learners to:

1. Go deeper into Inquiry.
2. Be involved in more learning engagements and build social skills.
3. Indulge in free play and be in a healthier mental and physical space.
4. Be in the care of trained staff in a good, productive, safe and cleaner environment.
5. Participate more in the Reading Programme.
6. Have a more structured and well-balanced/distributed timetable, allowing indoor and outdoor activities to be scheduled as per the weather.

Longer school hours will also ensure that learners get more time all around for academics, sports and co-curricular activities, with the added benefit of nutritional meals and proper rest. All of this will lead to improvement in the well-being of the learners.

Hence a tentative timetable for the proposed extension of school hours from 12:15 pm to 3:15 pm, for Nursery and Kindergarteners would be as below:

	12:10-12:50	12:50 - 2:00	2:00- 2:35	2:35-3:10	3:10 -3:20
Nursery/ Kindergarten	Lunch	Rest Hour	Activity/HRT*	Activity/HRT*	Snack & Dispersal

**Home Room Teacher*

We believe in strong partnerships with all caregivers of learners who are a part of our school community.

A learner's holistic growth is best supported with involvement of both the School and the Parents and therefore we would like you to kindly go through the above information and share your feedback and suggestions, via email to **Mrs. Alka Sarkar, Head Pre-Primary at alkas@genesisgs.edu.in**

Looking forward to your response by Monday, 22nd January, 2018.

Warm regards,

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School Director

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