



Dear Parent/Carer

The past few months have been challenging for us all and, as we look ahead to returning to school in September, I have some very important information to share regarding the school bus service for Edwinstowe, Ollerton and Clipstone.

We have reviewed the guidance from both the government and local council very carefully and are required to implement certain measures to ensure we protect both our students and staff as much as we possibly can. Firstly it is important that for children previously using the service to read the following very carefully as there have been changes made to bus allocations, stops and times of the service.

There are 3 separate buses running; **Meden1, Meden2 & Meden3**

To comply with our new staggered start times, bus arrival times at school have also been staggered. Every seat on each of the buses is allocated and we currently have no spare seats. I therefore have no flexibility to swap students to a different bus and any new pupils to the area will have to join a waiting list. We will monitor the use of the buses, and if students are found not to be using it, we will review their allocation. As far as possible year groups have been grouped together but this isn't possible in all cases due to every seat being allocated

Your child is allocated to the Meden3 bus.

The timetable is below

MEDEN3 Mini Bus (YELLOW PASS)

| TOWN / VILLAGE | PICK UP POINT | | Mon - Thurs | | FRIDAY |
|------------------------|--|-------------|--------------|--|--------------|
| Kings Clipstone | Gorsethorpe Lane End Bus Stop | 7.38 | 16.23 | | 15.23 |
| Ollerton | Church Circle & Briar Road Bus Stop | 7.53 | 16.08 | | 15.08 |
| | Library | 7.55 | 16.05 | | 15.05 |
| Edwinstowe | Friars Park Bus Stop | 8.05 | 15.55 | | 14.55 |
| Warsop | School: Burns Lane, Warsop (NG20 0QN) | 8.20 | 15.40 | | 14.40 |
| | <i>PLEASE NOTE, coaches will NOT turn up at school for loading early in an attempt to help contain the spread of Covid-19.</i> | | | | |
| | <i>Our intention is to load the coaches and leave school immediately.</i> | | | | |
| | <i>This giving less time for passengers and drivers to be together.</i> | | | | |



Please find enclosed some temporary YELLOW passes with your child's name on for the first few days until their photo pass is issued.

IMPORTANT POINTS TO NOTE PLEASE DISCUSS WITH YOUR CHILD

- Your child will not be allowed on the bus without a correct pass. Photos of their pass will not be accepted. No pass = No entry. If passes are lost then students must see Mrs Coulson or Mr Gibbon asap for a replacement. 1 free replacement will be given and further replacements will incur a charge of £3.
- Children should wear a face mask at all times when using the bus. They are responsible for keeping their mask safe as we cannot issue replacements. No mask = No entry
- Children should sit with a member of the same year group where possible but this may not always be possible due to operating at full capacity.
- All passengers must remain seated and facing the front at all times.
- Whilst waiting at the bus stop to enter the bus, we encourage all students to observe the 2m social distancing rule at all times for their own safety and that of others.
- Road safety is of the utmost importance and students should always wait until a bus has left the stop before attempting to cross the road.
- As always failure to behave on the bus or to follow these instructions will result in a ban from using the bus and if we have anyone on the waiting list, your place being allocated to someone else. You will then have to make your own arrangements to get to school. This is very important to safeguard all children and staff.

I'm sure you will appreciate the need to amend the way that the buses are managed, understanding the current situation. Please ensure both you and your child are clear on the arrangements for September, should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact school for clarity. Regrettably I am unable to move students onto an alternative bus for the reasons already highlighted, thank you for your understanding.

Yours sincerely



Mr Jim Smith
Head of School