



13 September 2024

Dear families

Re: End of Week Update and After-School Transport Information

I hope this letter finds you well.

It has been a superb week here at the Academy. Pupils and staff have commented on the continually improving culture, and I have really enjoyed a whole range of positive interactions with our pupils. Today, this is culminating in football and social time on the astro pitch this lunch time and the sweet treat trolley in circulation this afternoon as I reward pupils nominated for star of the lesson by their teachers.

You will have seen in my start of term letter that we no longer operate the late bus. The number of pupils accessing the large buses that were arriving at the Academy were too small, so we have been considering alternative options of travel for pupils. I have received correspondence from parents who need additional transport support for their child, and I have responded by looking closely at what we can do to help.

Having worked in partnership with Stagecoach, I can now confirm that school bus passes will be valid for free transport on all normal service buses after school. This means that pupils travelling to Bilsthorpe, Edwinstowe, Clipstone or Walesby will all be able to access bus services that leave after revision, intervention or extra-curricular activities have ended, from either right outside or very close to the Academy. The timings all work well to support our after-school curriculum offer.

We have spent time collating the maps and timetables, and these are now available on our website. You can find all the information for late transport after school here:
<https://www.dukeries.attrust.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/19/2024/09/Bus-Routes-for-After-School-Attendance.pdf>

This means that as Accelerate and Enrich activities begin formally next week, all pupils will have access to free late transport options using their school bus pass.

I hope this again demonstrates our commitment to your child and our determination to provide them with every opportunity that we can to help them succeed, as well as opportunities for exceptional enrichment activities after-school.

If you need any further support, do not hesitate to contact the Academy, where we will work hard to help.

An additional note that any Academy letters that are directly from me can be found via this link:
<https://www.dukeries.attrust.org.uk/parents/parent-info/>

Thank you for your on-going support as we continue with a positive and happy start to the Academic year.

I will contact you again soon.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "M. Brett". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized 'M' and a long, sweeping underline.

Mr M Brett
Principal

