



# Amwell View School and Specialist Sports College

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Dear Parents/Carers,

I have decided to dedicate this whole newsletter to transport queries and concerns.

Transporting your children to school has its ups and downs, but this year seems to have been the most problematic. The concerns are varied, related to timing, respite, staff training, new pupils, families moving house, lateness, medical issues, as well as the unexpected and exceptional occurrences.

I met with the Passenger Transport staff allocated to our area, Lynne Morris and her line manager Trudie German. We are all working together to improve the service provided at no cost to you which ensures that your child can attend school regularly and on time. To ensure that we offer the best option for your child it is really important that you play your part too. Journeys to school are expected to take no more than 60 minutes for primary age children and no more than 75 minutes for secondary age children. This means that pick-up times can be from 7.45 am onwards. A request from transport staff for pick-up times is organised to guarantee your child gets to school on time. Just lately this has been a challenge when children are not ready at the specified time or parents set their own pick up time to fit in with their personal arrangements. We all have to remember that working together makes it better for all pupils to have equal access to education. If your child makes everyone late than everyone gets a late mark, so please try to think of everybody.

If you move house it is prudent and polite to let us know and provide the new address. This is very important so please make sure that if you are preparing to move that we are on your list of who to notify. Equally your contact details may not be the same, so don't forget to let us know of any new telephone numbers.

Due to the rise in numbers at Amwell View School over the year it may be necessary, even at this late stage of the year, to make some changes to existing bus pick-ups. If your bus time or route needs to change I would be grateful if you could co-operate fully with the request from Passenger Transport. There are not expected to be hardly any changes, but some may be necessary. Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

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