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Dear Parents/Carers

Thank you for your patience regarding the uncertainty surrounding bus services to St Katherine's School over recent weeks and months. Our providers have sadly been adversely affected by the pandemic and we very much hope they are able to recover and prosper in the longer term. We are grateful for their loyalty and service to St Katherine's and our families over a period of many years.

We are pleased to inform you that we have secured the services of a high quality local transport provider to run four coach routes to and from St Katherine's from September, with an initial capacity for 254 students. The administration of these services including booking and payment will now be coordinated through the school, and we will be writing to parents/carers next week with full details of the services, including the routes and pickup/drop off locations, along with how to secure a place for your child(ren) on one of the buses.

Bringing all of these services together with one company, will allow us greater flexibility to provide additional capacity where needed and to ensure a consistent service of the highest quality, at all times, across all bus routes. Once these services are established, we will continue to review our provision, taking into account your feedback, so we continue to provide an affordable and sustainable transport solution for all families.

I look forward to sharing further details with you by the end of next week.

Kind regards

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