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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to you to give you an update on the bus situation. We have been working closely behind the scenes with Globe buses however this term has been a challenging one for them with regards to the number of enforced roadworks. Unfortunately, these roadworks have caused a number of traffic issues and diversions, which has had an impact on the service. South Yorkshire transport have informed Globe that after half term the roadworks should be completed and improve the service that is provided.

Furthermore, the South Yorkshire Mayoral Combined Authority (SYMCA) and Travel South Yorkshire have implemented a price increase for travelling within Barnsley. The purpose of this is to help protect South Yorkshire's bus services. Therefore, **From 1 November 2023** changes to discounted fares and tickets will take place, Concessionary child single fares for holders of Zoom Under 16 and Zoom 16-18 Travel Passes will increase from 80p to £1.

We continue to remind students about their behaviour on their way to and from the academy. Misbehaviour on the school buses will result in the Academy Care, Support, Guidance and Behaviour Policy sanctions being applied and could result in a ban from using the Academy bus service for either a fixed period of time, or permanently.

Finally, we are keen to ensure that pupils continue to represent the academy well in the community. Please talk to your child about the importance of travelling to and from school sensibly and without causing nuisance or disruption to local residents. All bus service route information can be found by clicking on the link [School bus services, routes and timetables - Travel South Yorkshire](#). Should you have any queries with regards to this please do not hesitate to contact us at info@dartonacademy.org.uk

I thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,



Mr Carmody
Assistant Principal