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Dear Parent/Carer

RE: 548 Bus Service

This year we have had a higher number of students than usual using the 548 bus service which has meant that on some occasions the bus has reached its capacity and a small number of students have not been able to access the service. In conjunction with Stagecoach we have reviewed the Priority Pass system in place. The Priority Passes will be reissued from 30th January based on a combination of the age of students and the distance they need to travel with the youngest students and those travelling the furthest given priority. There will still be space for the majority of students to travel on the bus and in recent weeks there have been fewer incidents where any students have been unable to access the service so we are hopeful this will continue. We continue to work with Stagecoach to ensure that as many students as possible can access the service and will also monitor the use of the Priority Passes to ensure they have been allocated appropriately and will continue to review this. The advice from Stagecoach for students who are using the service to travel to destinations in town is to consider using the Number 1 service which picks up from Cross O' Cliff Hill at the front of the Academy and runs every half an hour. Thank you for your ongoing support in this matter.

Yours faithfully

Mr I Dinnie Assistant Headteacher



