

1<sup>st</sup> September 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

### RE: Transport 2022-23

With the closure of Yellow Buses and with building works beginning on the school site, I am writing to confirm arrangements around transport to Oak Academy.

### **Buses**

BCP Council has been working with Morebus and Xelabus (trading as Yellow Coaches) to ensure the viability of the school bus network following the closure of Yellow Buses:

- Morebus have covered the majority of services see their Bournemouth map which summarises their replacement routes: Map
- Morebus will operate the former Yellow Buses school services routes 46, 81 and 744 as well as their established range of school services: Schools and Colleges - morebus
- Yellow Coaches will operate the former Yellow Buses service routes 18, 33 and 36 timetables are unchanged: <a href="https://www.yellowcoaches.co.uk/bus-times">https://www.yellowcoaches.co.uk/bus-times</a>
- Council-funded bus passes for entitled students will be distributed week commencing 29 August 2022 To apply for home to school transport support, see here: School transport (bcpcouncil.gov.uk).

## **Electric Scooters**

Although in the UK, you are legally entitled to buy, sell and own an electric scooter, it is currently illegal to use an them on public roads, pavements or cycle lanes. With this in mind, and with the risk posed by large vehicles on site, students are not permitted to bring electric scooters onto the school site. If this causes issues with regards to transport please do see information regarding buses above or contact our inclusion team.

### **End of School Day**

With increased numbers of students at Oak and increased construction vehicles, for safety, parents will not be able to enter the school ground by car, at the end of the school day. I also need to remind you that the roads outside Oak Academy are double yellow lined and therefore cannot be parked on. Please park towards the bottom of the road, on Poole Lane or Holloway Avenue. Students can then either walk to you or you would be welcome to meet them at the gate. If for any reason this causes a problem, please do make contact with the Academy.

# **Bikes**

Finally, we still actively encourage students to ride bikes to school. Again, with additional vehicles onsite we encourage them to wear helmets. During the school day these can be either clipped to bags or students are welcome to leave in the Inclusion Support Centre.

As always many thanks for your support. If you have any questions please do not hestiate to contact me at hayley.richley@oak-academy.co.uk

Yours Sincerely,

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