## HOLBROOK ACADEMY

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Dear Parent/Carer

The 615 and 616 public bus routes used by those students who come to Holbrook Academy from out of catchment are very busy. As you are probably aware, there are occasions when the 616 homeward service is oversubscribed and, up until now, we have used the school minibus to transport students to the Wherstead Road area. However, due to sporting fixtures, etc the minibus is not always available. Therefore, with effect from Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December we will be putting an alternative arrangement in place for students using other services operated by Ipswich Buses, as follows:-

Firstly, those students who travel to school in the morning on the 92 service are requested to use the 92 on their return journey.

Secondly, if a bus is overloaded, students who use stops in Wherstead Road will be required to travel on either the 98 or the 92 homeward. Ipswich Buses tickets are valid across all these services.

The 98 leaves our site at 3.30pm, is at Bourne Bridge at 4.20pm and the Cattle Market at 4.33pm. The 92 leaves the bus stop outside the Academy on Ipswich Road at 4.08pm, is at Bourne Bridge at 4.18pm and the Cattle Market at 4.30pm.

Our supervised Homework Club runs Monday-Thursday and is available for students to work whilst waiting for transport. Students who are asked to use the later bus service will be requested to go to the Homework Club to wait.

It will be your child's responsibility to let you know if they will be travelling on an alternative route.

Ipswich Buses allocate their largest vehicles to our busy routes. Staff supervise bus loading so that services travel at maximum capacity and we do all that we can to ensure students get home safely using the services available.

We will be making students aware of these changes and should be grateful if you would encourage your child to follow these arrangements. Thank you for your support with our continuing work to ensure all children travel home safely.

Yours sincerely,

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