



# North Somercotes Church of England Primary School

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## Minibus Transport

Dear Parents/Carers,

As your child uses our school minibus I wanted to write to you to confirm some of our procedures and the role you play in helping this system work effectively. We have 2 minibuses completing 5 runs between them transporting over 60 children - this involves a very busy schedule. These procedures are fundamental to us meeting the expectations set out in the latest Government Guidance "*Transport to school and other places of education: autumn term 2020*".

- **No one must board the minibus if they, or a member of their household has symptoms of Covid-19**
- School staff are required to wear a face covering on dedicated school transport. Children are not required to wear a face covering. However, if you wish your child to wear one we respect that decision. Face coverings will need to be taken off on entry to school and stored in your child's bag. Face coverings are not worn in school unless there are specific medical reasons
- We will ensure the minibuses are well ventilated with fresh air from outside
- Children will sanitise their hands before boarding the minibus
- Children will sit in the same designated seat
- Children are requested to carry tissues in line with the "Catch it, Bin it, Kill it" approach. Used tissues will be disposed of on entry to school and hands will be sanitised before entering school
- Enhanced cleaning regimes will be in place in line with the guidance

Thank you for your support with these protocols.

Due to the number of children currently using our school minibuses and the extra procedures we have in place it is challenging to stick precisely to the timetable – we thank you for your patience with this. You can help by ensuring children are ready at their allocated stop, at their allocated time. We are unable to deviate in any way from our current extended route. Please also ensure you communicate clearly with school staff should your arrangements change. We are committed to providing this service to our school community but need your help to ensure we can operate safely and effectively.

Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact school.

Yours sincerely

Paul Floyd  
Headteacher



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