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Dear Parent/Carer

## COVID-19 Measures for Home-To-School Transport.

In light of the Covid-19 pandemic all students will be asked to wear face covers on school transport routes in line with the Government guidance for public transport and enclosed spaces, unless they fall under one of the exemptions categories.

Information on face coverings and exemptions categories can be found on the Governments website at <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/news/disabled-people-exempt-from-wearing-face-coverings-under-new-government-guidance">www.gov.uk/government/news/disabled-people-exempt-from-wearing-face-coverings-under-new-government-guidance</a>.

Students will be required to sanitise their hands using the hand gel provided when boarding and alighting the vehicle.

If your child has a medical conditions which prevents them from using the hand gel or falls under one of the exemption categories and can't use a face covering, please advise the school transport team on <a href="Mainstream.Transport@bedford.gov.uk">Mainstream.Transport@bedford.gov.uk</a>, alternatively advise your child(ren)'s school.

Please can you remind your child (ren) to board the vehicles in an orderly fashion and avoid crowding of the doorway and stair well (if applicable)?

Each year group will be given a designated area to sit on board the vehicles, please ask your child(ren) to remain in these groups whilst on the Transport.

Yours faithfully

**Mainstream Transport** 

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