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Dear Ms Duffy

Home to School Bus Services 2018/2019

Please find enclosed school bus timetables for the forthcoming academic year and the contact details of the bus operators.

I can confirm that the changes proposed in my letter of 19 April will be going ahead:

Services	Change	Justification for change
900	Revise afternoon service to match the morning journey (i.e. not serving Bridge Hall Estate).	Standardises the route (surveys show no students travelling to Bridge Hall Estate).

Your request for service 900 to be extended to serve Range Road in Shaw Heath has been noted and we will look into whether this is possible and contact you separately if we are able to accommodate this change.

Please note that the operator of school bus services might have changed – please refer to the timetable enclosed.

School Holidays

Thank you for providing details of your school term dates. Please can you notify TfGM and the appropriate bus operators of any changes to the dates provided. Bus operators are only contracted to operate journeys to the publicised school bus timetable, **arrangements for ad-hoc days and early finishes must be taken up with the appropriate bus operator.**

School Hours

It is essential that you involve the Operational Service Planning department during the planning stages of any proposed change to the school opening and closing times. Failure to involve us in the planning stages may result in services not being provided, if they cannot be accommodated within our current resources or existing schedules.

Please do not hesitate to contact me again if you have any further queries.

Further information and general enquiries for pupils in regards to school bus transport can be obtained either by telephoning Traveline on 0871 200 22 33 (*calls cost 12p per min from land lines, lines open 7am – 8pm Monday to Friday, 8am – 8pm Saturday, Sundays and Bank Holidays*) or through our website at www.tfgm.com.

Yours sincerely



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An introduction to School buses and concessionary fares for students in Greater Manchester

Passengers can pay a fare to the driver for each journey shown on this timetable. However, students will need to show an IGO pass to travel at the concessionary (reduced) fare. If students do not have an IGO pass, they will have to pay a higher fare.

Most of the journeys shown in this timetable are funded by Transport for Greater Manchester (TfGM). The majority of TfGM funded services charge a standard fare and also offer daily return tickets. In some cases, the return ticket can also be used for travel on other journeys which serve similar areas – even if it is provided by a different operator. On most services, students can also buy a weekly scholar's ticket, which costs £7.30. These are ONLY valid on schooldays on school buses and are available from the bus driver on all services where they are applicable. To help the driver, please try to have the correct fare when buying your ticket.

A summary of fares and ticketing information on all school services included in this timetable can be found at <https://www.tfgm.com/tickets-and-passes/bus-school-bus-services>

There are also a small number of TfGM funded services where the operator sets the fares. You will need to check with the operator what fares are available.

Yellow School Buses

This timetable also shows the journeys operated by Yellow School Buses.

Yellow School Bus journeys have special travel conditions and **can only be used by students who hold a Yellow School Bus pass** which is valid for that journey. Students who wish to use a Yellow School Bus should go to <https://www.tfgm.com/tickets-and-passes/bus-yellow-school-buses> for details on how to apply for a pass.

The IGO Pass

All students between the ages of 11 and 16 need an IGO pass if they wish to travel at the concessionary (reduced fare) rate on buses.

The IGO pass is like an ID card and proves that the student is aged 16 or under. It must be carried on all journeys and shown to the driver before paying the fare.

The IGO pass costs £10 and can only be bought by students who live, or go to school in Greater Manchester.

More information on IGO and an application form to get an IGO pass is on the TfGM website at <http://igo.tfgm.com>

(Please note: students who are entitled to a free Scholars Travel Pass for journeys between home and school and students aged between 16 and 19 who have a Scholars Concessionary Pass, do not need an IGO Pass for these journeys)

BRIDGE HALL – ADSWOOD – STOCKPORT ACADEMY			Service 900	
<i>TfGM Contract:</i>	0260		<i>TfGM Contract:</i>	5051 0470
<i>Minimum Capacity:</i>	58		<i>Minimum Capacity:</i>	52 85
<i>Operator Code:</i>	SM		<i>Operator Code:</i>	BEV SM
ADSWOOD ROAD, Siddington Avenue	0800		STOCKPORT ACADEMY	1445 1540
Adswood Road/Bird Hall Road	0805		Adswood Road/Bird Hall Lane	1455 1550
STOCKPORT ACADEMY	0815		ADSWOOD ROAD, Siddington Avenue	1458 1553

SERVICE 900: From Adswood Road/Siddington Avenue via Adswood Road, Bird Hall Lane, Edgeley Road, Heathbank Road TO STOCKPORT ACADEMY. RETURNS from Stockport Academy via the reverse of the above route.

TfGM SCHOOL BUS OPERATORS IN STOCKPORT

ARR	Arriva North West Greeba Road Wythenshawe Manchester, M23 9ET	Tel: 0344 800 4411
BEV	Belle Vue Manchester Ltd Discovery Business Park Crossley Road, Heaton Chapel Stockport SK4 5DZ	Tel: 0161 947 9477
BUL	R. Bullock Buses, Commercial Garage, Stockport Road, Cheadle, Stockport. SK8 2AG.	Tel: 0161 428 5265
MTR	M Travel 140 Kirkmanshulme Lane Longsight Manchester M12 4WB	Tel: 0161 888 2222
SM	Stagecoach Manchester Daw Bank Stockport SK3 0DU (most Stagecoach school bus services in Stockport are operated from their Stockport depot)	Stockport Depot Tel: 0161 276 2553 Hyde Road – Head Office Tel: 0161 273 3377

FOR LOCAL BUS & TRAIN INFORMATION TELEPHONE:

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