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From: SIC Children's Services
To: Parents/Carers

Applications for Vacant Seats on School Transport Vehicles – Academic Year 2021/22

Applications for vacant seats for children to travel on school transport vehicles, who are not entitled to school transport, will be invited at the end of August this year. During the holiday period things change considerably and it is only after the pupils return to school that we have a true picture of the number of vacant seats that are available. The uncertainty brought by the COVID- 19 pandemic also means that we have no idea at this stage what social distancing requirements, if any, there will be at the start of the new term. Current mitigations have reduced the number of seats available.

All applications for seats will be made on line; there will be help available with this process should it pose any difficulties for parents/carers. We are planning for the form to go live on 30th August 2021, and we will continue to receive applications until Sunday 12th September 2021. Applications will then be processed; thereafter parents/carers will receive correspondence notifying them as to whether or not their application has been successful and, where appropriate, the relevant Bus Pass will be enclosed.

Please note that any bus passes issued as a result of a vacant seat application for this current school year will not be valid after Friday 25th June 2021.

A further notification will be sent out nearer the time with a link to the on line form.

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