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Dear Parents and Carers

Student safety on journeys to and from school

I am writing to make you aware of some concerns that have been brought to our attention this week with regard to some students behaving unsafely on their journeys to and from school.

Travel by bus

Please ensure that your child waits safely on the pavement at the bus stop in the morning. We have had some concerns reported that students are leaning out and waiting in the road to see if the bus is coming. Of course, this is incredibly dangerous, and we urge you to speak with your child at home about waiting at bus stops safely.

Travel by train

We have received reports that some students are standing over the yellow line on the train station platforms when waiting for their trains both in the morning and afternoon at Haslemere and Liphook train stations.

The train drivers have raised a concern that some students are standing ever so close to the platform edge when trains are going past without stopping, with seemingly little regard for how dangerous this is for them.

Hampshire police have been informed of these reports at the train station and aim to work closely with us and the guards on duty to ensure the students' safety. Ultimately, of course, it is the student's responsibility to keep him or herself safe; please do therefore address this as appropriate with your child at home.

School site

If dropping off or collecting your child from school, please ensure you use the correct entrance for cars on to site. We have noticed that some parents and carers are attempting to drive in to the bus drop-off area, which is unsafe for our students. Thank you for your support with this.

Please do speak with your child to encourage safe behaviour and sensible use of public transport. As a school we will continue to emphasise these key messages during tutor time and will continue to work closely with key workers in the local community to encourage our young people to act sensibly and safely at all times.

Thank you for your time and support. If you have any particular questions or concerns, please contact your child's tutor in the first instance.

Yours faithfully

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