

Our Ref : CYB

24<sup>th</sup> July 2018

Dear Parents/Carers

### Number 42 Bus Service

Recently we were contacted by Diamond Buses to inform us that they intended to increase the bus fare to £85 per month and that this would be a 'Closed Service', in that they would only accept bus passes bought from Diamond Buses that could not be used on other Centro buses.

To see if there were sufficient parents and carers wishing to pay this increased fare we handed a letter at the start of July to students who use the bus service. This letter is also on our website.

Unsurprisingly parents and carers regard this increase as unfair. So do we. We cannot afford to run our own bus service so regrettably the number 42 bus service will now finish at the end of term. There are other local schools facing this problem and it is regrettable that Diamond Buses are not prepared to subsidise school transport especially as I know the bus service was an important factor in helping families make their choice of secondary school.

If you wish to discuss this matter further please contact me.

Your sincerely

Mr C Bailey  
Assistant Vice Principal

