

29 January 2025

Dear Parents

A few notes for your consideration.

### **Disruption to the S10 and S12 services**

We received a notification of disruption to the normal running of the S10 and S12 buses last night due to a gas leak. Go Coach are implementing the following changes to the normal service; this is obviously subject to change as works are completed, but is correct as of the time of writing:

#### ***A225 Closure between Farningham and Eynsford***

*SGN have a major gas leak on the A225 which has closed the road.*

*School services will run as follows until works are completed: -*

*S10 will start from Trinity and run via Knole Academy, it will then run via the M25 and start dropping off in Swanley before continuing to Wilmington and Sutton at Hone. All passengers for Swanley should use this service. Passengers for Otford, Eynsford should use the S12*

*S12 will start from Knole Academy and operate via Trinity. It will then operate normal line of route to Eynsford Station where it will turn round and then operate via Otford to join the M25 to Swanley. All passengers for Otford, Eynsford and stops through to Farningham must alight from the bus at Eynsford Station and make their own way to their stops. TW3 will operate normally as far as the Otford loop, it will then run back via Bat & Ball to join the M25 towards Swanley. The D30 will miss Eynsford but passengers for Eynsford will be dropped off near Farningham on the way back from West Kingsdown. This saves passengers from having to cross the A20.*

*We apologise for this unannounced closure and major disruption it is causing.*

### **Holiday Vouchers**

KCC and the government will continue to provide vouchers in lieu of free school meals for the February half term and the Easter holiday. There is no announcement of an extension to the scheme beyond this date. The value has been set at £10 for the February half term, which we will issue on 12 February and £20 for the Easter holiday which we shall issue on 2 April.

### **End of this half term**

This has been on the website since last year, but for clarification, the last day of this half term for pupils to be in attendance is Thursday 13 February. Friday 14 February is an INSET day, and students will not be in attendance. We chose this day as so many pupils and staff are departing on various school trips the normal operation of the school would have been virtually impossible.

Yours faithfully



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