

Burnley Road Padiham BB12 8ST

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Dear parent/carer,

Over the past couple of months, the behaviour of a minority of our students that travel to and from school on the bus has been totally unacceptable. As a result of this we have introduced a new disciplinary process as follows:

- If your child's behaviour on the bus is reported as being unacceptable by either another student or member of the public then they will serve an internal or external suspension.
- As part of your child's reintegration meeting you would both have to sign a bus contract. The contract is
  an agreement that if your child's behaviour on the bus is deemed to be inappropriate on a further occasion
  then it would result in them being banned from travelling to and from school on the bus for a period of
  time.

Examples of behaviour that we would deem as being inappropriate are:

- Acting in a manner which causes, or is likely to cause, harassment, alarm or inconvenience to other transport users
- Use of abusive language, gestures or inappropriate comments to the driver or other transport users
- Use of physical violence
- Damage to the bus or anyone's property
- Items thrown on the bus, at the bus or from the bus
- Not following instructions given by the driver at all times
- Poor conduct at the bus stop

I would appreciate it if you could speak to your child about the importance of excellent conduct on the bus and the need to set a good example as a responsible member of the community. If your child is aware of any anti-social behaviour on the buses please encourage them to inform a member of staff at school so that we can take swift action.

Yours sincerely,

Miss L Pennington

Senior Assistant Headteacher







