




# St Peter's Catholic School



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Dear Parents,

### **Uniform**

As all our minds start to turn towards the new school year, I wanted to remind all families that our normal high standards of uniform will be expected from all pupils when they return in September. To ensure that all pupils have a positive start and avoid having to have conversations about uniform, I would be grateful if you could make sure that the correct uniform is worn from the very first day back.

From September, no jewellery including stud earrings are permitted for either boys or girls. This change in policy was adopted to make the rule more simple, fair and consistent. School footwear must be plain black traditional shoes rather than trainers or pumps. No footwear with a sports logo such as Nike or Adidas is permitted, even if they are plain black. Extreme hair styles are equally not permitted which includes extreme colours, shavings shorter than a 'No 1' or markings. Girls who choose to wear a skirt should be reminded that it must be the school skirt with the correct logo. A copy of the St Peter's Uniform list is also attached.

Up until October half term, we would encourage pupils to wear the blue summer shirt where possible. Blazers must be worn each day. I am aware that some parents have found it difficult to obtain the new blue school PE top due to issues with suppliers. PE staff understand this, and therefore the blue or white top will continue to be permitted.

### **Transport**

In the last communication to parents and pupils in July, we explained that in September, in line with government guidance, we would be operating a staggered start and finish to our school day. Many parents asked how this would affect the bus services that serve St Peter's and the surrounding area. Over the summer, I have liaised with National Express West Midlands and they have been very flexible and accommodating of my requests.



## Coventry Road Bus Services

### Mornings

From September 2020, the 876 School service will be withdrawn. Instead, two journeys on the X2 will continue from Solihull to St Peter's School. The times are shown below.

	Sch										Sch					
	X1	X2	X1	X1	X2	X1	X2	X1	X2	X2	X1	X2	X1	X2	X1	X2
City Centre Moor St Q'way	0625	0630	0638	0645	0653	0700	0708	0715	0722	0725	0730	0738	0745	0753	0800	0808
Yardley Swan Centre [SF]	0640	0647	0655	0702	0710	0718	0726	0733	0740	0743	0748	0756	0803	0811	0820	0828
Sheldon Lyndon Road	0643	0650	0658	0706	0714	0722	0730	0738	0745	0748	0753	0801	0808	0816	0825	0833
Solihull Rail Station	-	0707	-	-	0733	-	0750	-	0805	-	-	0826	-	-	-	0856
St Peter's School Whitefields Rd	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0820	-	-	-	0850	-	-

The 877 will continue to operate, providing more capacity and is timetabled as follows

	Sch
Yardley Swan Centre	0742
Sheldon Lyndon Road	0748
Tudor Grange School	0816
St Peter's School	0820

### Afternoons

The 898 School Service is being withdrawn. The X2 will also operate two journeys from St Peter's each afternoon at the time shown below in an extract from the X2 timetable.

St Peter's School Whitefields Rd	-	-	-	these mins past the hour	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	until	1455	-	-
Solihull Rail Station	0909	-	0928		-	43	-	58	-	13	-	28	-	-		-	-	1516
Solihull Town Centre	0910	-	0930		-	45	-	00	-	15	-	30	-	-		1506	-	1520
Sheldon Wheatshaf	0928	0937	0945		52	00	08	15	23	30	38	45	-	-		1527	1535	1541
Yardley Swan Centre [SK]	0935	0943	0951		58	06	14	21	29	36	44	51	-	-		1535	1543	1549
City Centre Moor St Q'way	0956	1003	1011		18	26	34	41	49	56	04	11	-	-		1555	1603	1610
St Peter's School Whitefields Rd	-	1525	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Solihull Rail Station	-	-	1538	-	1553	-	1608	-	1623	-	1640	-	1655	-	1711	-	-	-
Solihull Town Centre	-	1533	1541	-	1556	-	1611	-	1626	-	1643	-	1658	-	1714	-	-	-
Sheldon Wheatshaf	1550	1556	1604	1611	1618	1625	1633	1640	1647	1655	1703	1710	1718	1726	1734	1741	-	-
Yardley Swan Centre [SK]	1558	1604	1612	1619	1626	1633	1641	1648	1655	1703	1711	1718	1726	1734	1742	1749	-	-
City Centre Moor St Q'way	1618	1625	1633	1640	1647	1655	1703	1710	1717	1725	1733	1740	1748	1755	1803	1810	-	-

There will be two 877 journeys each evening to support the staggered timings of our school day and provide additional capacity.

	Sch	Sch
St Peter's School	1455	1525
Landrover Works	1515	1545
The Wheatshaf	1523	1553
Yardley Swan Centre	1531	1601

In the afternoons, school staff will try to continue to operate the year group bubbles when supervising pupils boarding the buses. Our intention is that Year 7 would use the X2, while Year 8 and 9 use the 877. Similarly, Year 10 would use the X2 bus and Year 11 the 877 bus at 3.25pm. Siblings will not be separated and pupils who have detention after school will be able to board the later buses.

Of course, staff are unable to enforce any such system in the mornings but would encourage pupils to use the same bus numbers in the morning where possible.

Both the X2 and 877 services will serve Lode Lane, Old Lode Lane, the Wheatsheaf and Coventry Road. This does mean that the roads previously served by the 898 will no long be served.

### **Solihull Council commissioned services**

The small number of bus routes that Solihull Council commission will continue to run but will be school specific. The relevant council bus routes within Solihull which serve what they call the Blossomfield Campus are:

- 811 Hockley Heath to Blossomfield Campus – will be specific to Tudor Grange.
- 821 Dickens Heath to Blossomfield Campus – will be specific to Alderbrook
- 822 Dickens Heath to Blossomfield Campus – will be specific to Alderbrook
- 823 Tidbury Green area to Blossomfield Campus – will be specific to Tudor Grange.
- 894 Cheswick Green to Blossomfield Campus – will be specific to Alderbrook
- 895 Cheswick Green via Monkspath to Blossomfield Campus – will be specific to Alderbrook.

A new service, the 810 will run from and to Cheswick Green serving Valley Road, Tidbury Green and Dickens Heath. It has been arranged to arrive by 8.20am in the morning and an afternoon arrival of 14.45 but a 15.25 departure. This will be operated by Grosvenor Travel and the timetable will be available by the end of the week. I will forward the timetable on as soon as I receive it and it will be displayed on the website. The bus is only available to those who have Solihull Council Bus Pass. These can be purchased unless the pupil qualifies for free transport. <https://www.solihull.gov.uk/Resident/Schools-learning/School-travel/School-buses>

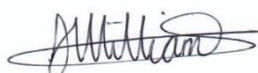
### **Land flight services**

Landflight operate a number of commercially operated services that a small number of pupils use. I have informed the company of our plans and their website contains up to date routes and timetables. <https://www.landflight.co.uk/bus-services/>

A booklet has been produced with further information regarding school travel which is attached. A reminder that face coverings should to be worn on all public transport but these must be removed before the pupil enters the school site.

In school, we are currently making the final preparation for the new school year and updated versions of the September arrangements information, originally sent in July, will be communicated again to all families in advance of the new school year.

Yours sincerely,



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