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Dear Parent/Guardian

I am writing to inform you of the changes in the provision of the home to school transport for fare paying passengers. We currently have pupils paying a fare to travel on a bus to and from school who will be affected by the regulations below.

The Public Service Vehicles Accessibility Regulations (PSVAR) is to improve accessibility of buses and coaches for disabled passengers. It applies to a vehicle with more than 22 seats and when a passenger pays a fare. It was understood by the Local Authority and coach companies that these regulations did not apply to transport from home to school. However, we are now informed that these regulations come into force from 1st January 2020.

We have been working with the coach operator and the LA to find ways to seek exemption or for the law to be changed so the fare paying bus can continue. Unfortunately we are unable to comply and therefore unable to continue providing the fare paying service from 1st January 2020.

The Local Authority do offer concessionary seats at a set fee per term providing a bus is serving the school, and has spare seats etc, this will be on a first come first served basis.

We will continue to work to find a possible solution but until this is found Arriva buses provide a service from your area to the bus station in Wrexham and from there to Gwersyllt.

An online route planner can be found on their website Arrivabus.co.uk

Mrs Slinn
Headteacher