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Dear Parent/Guardian

Bus route disruption due to roadworks

I am writing to update you with some information we have received from Reading Buses with reference to the local roadworks going on and approximate duration these works are due to continue for:

- SGN (gas distribution networks) works on the A4 Bath Road with a Road closure at the Berkley Avenue Junction, this is due to end on 29 Sept 2023;
- SGN (gas distribution networks) works in Calcot near Sainsbury's with lane closures which are due to end December 2023;
- Reading Borough Council works on the Shinfield Road between Cressingham Road and Pepper Lane for the new cycle lane scheme, this has resulted in the road being narrowed and, on some occasions, temporary traffic lights in place and due to late 2023;
- Traffic management on the Kings Road bus lane eastbound near the junction of Eldon Road forcing all buses into the main carriageway, there is no current end date for this.

As you can imagine, and have no doubt experienced personally, this is having a severe knockon effect to the traffic which is affecting bus timetables in numerous areas. This appears to be one of the main causes of students being late to school.

With this in mind we require students that are impacted by the above-mentioned routes to plan this into their journey and leave earlier to ensure they are on school site by 8.35am allowing them to be in tutor by 8.40am. If they arrive after this time, they are late to school.

For a reminder of the MER morning process and consequences of being late to school please see <u>our website here</u>.

We appreciate your cooperation and support in this matter.

Kind regards

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