



Kent Children and Young People

To Secondary School Headteachers

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Dear Colleague,

Free bus travel for young people this summer holiday

Our local bus operators have again kindly agreed to support children, young people and families this summer holiday with free bus travel. Pupils in years 6 to 13 will be able to travel free on buses within Kent, from 23rd July until 31st August inclusive, using a bus pass we will provide for distribution via schools. Families will be able to access a family bus pass, and I will provide more information on this separately.

We had proposed to move predominantly to a digital bus pass, but survey work with families and young people indicates the significant majority would prefer a physical bus pass. Therefore, we are making available both physical and electronic passes which pupils can use.

We are conscious that Year 11 and 13 pupils will be finishing with you in the next few days. The printing company will send each secondary school sufficient printed passes to cover these two year groups. These will be sent in the post in the next couple of days. Of course, if a pupil simply wishes to have the digital pass, any leftover physical passes can be held and added to the second delivery to your school which will provide passes for the remaining year groups. These are expected to be with you within two weeks.

The digital pass is a simple pdf which can be found and downloaded here.

If you have any further queries, please email us at reconnect.kentcyp@kent.gov.uk or call a member of the Programme Team on 03000 423423.

Yours sincerely

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