



**Education Resources**  
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Dear Parent/Guardian,

### ***The Coalburn – Lesmahagow High School Bus Service***

Concerns have been raised by the bus company, pupils and parents about the general behaviour of some of the pupils using the Coalburn to Lesmahagow school bus service. Whenever issues are raised with the school, we investigate and strive to deal with these concerns in a proactive manner. However, we feel it is important to remind parents of the consequences of continuous misbehaviour. I have copied a section from the South Lanarkshire website below:

#### **Safety and behaviour**

Bad behaviour may result in your child losing their right to school transport.

Drivers may keep the pass or ticket so the child can be identified to the Head Teacher who will invite the parents to the school to discuss the issue before deciding whether the pass should be returned. During this period parents will have to make their own arrangements for getting their child to and from school.

We would seek your support in reinforcing expectations on the bus – pupils sitting and remaining on their seat with seatbelts attached, using appropriate language, and treating all others with respect.

To improve the situation, we will be inviting parents of pupils who are misbehaving into the school to meet with the senior management team. If the situation does not improve, we will be using temporary exclusions from the school transport as a sanction for repeat concerns.

We hope that we do not have to reach this stage but the school must ensure that all pupils feel that they can travel to and from school in a safe environment. As always, your support is appreciated.

Yours sincerely

**Mr Graham Parry**  
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