

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing to update you on the measures we are taking to ensure your child is safe when travelling on school transport.

The Department for Education (DfE) has produced guidelines for schools, Local Authorities and transport providers to follow in order to minimise the risk of transmission of coronavirus (COVID-19).

Shropshire Council have used these guidelines as the basis for the protective measures they are asking all passengers to adhere to, and these include:

- Wearing a face covering when travelling on school transport
- Minimising contact and mixing by students sitting in year group 'bubbles'

I am pleased to report that the vast majority of our students are following the rules by wearing a face covering and sitting in their allocated seat with other students from the same year group.

To help with the monitoring of the protective measures on school transport, we will be installing CCTV cameras on all the buses used by Oldbury Wells students. This will be implemented in line with the Health Protection Order 2020, which is our legal basis for these cameras being installed.

The CCTV cameras are the property of Oldbury Wells and only school staff will be able to access the footage recorded.

I am hoping that the installation of the cameras will support the existing safety measures we have in place and help ensure that all students who travel on school transport have an enjoyable journey.

If you have any questions about this matter, please contact me at school.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J White', with a horizontal line extending to the right.

Mr J White

Assistant Headteacher