



Coláiste Dún an Rí

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Re: Bus Transport

Dear Parents,

For those of you who wish to avail of bus transport to the school please note the following:

- Students who are 4.8km from the school are entitled to bus transport to the school provided that Coláiste Dún an Rí is your nearest school
- In the case where students are more than 4.8km from the school but Coláiste Dún an Rí is not the nearest secondary school then students may be given a concessionary ticket by Bus Eireann provided there are seats available on the bus.
- Parents must register for tickets on www.buseireann.ie before **30 April 2021**.
- Payments must be made as required as Bus Eireann will only determine routes and buses once timely payment is made. They will then allocate tickets.

The local Bus Inspector has told me that he will push for additional routes and buses for the catchment area, but he can only do this once ticket payments are made. Extra tickets or seats will not be provided in August or September. Once payments have been made then the inspector will cross reference addresses with existing and/or new routes.

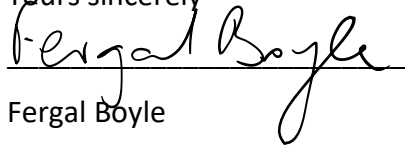
Unfortunately, the school has no say in the provision of bus routes or tickets. As principal I can only continue to speak with Bus Éireann and ask them to consider extra routes. I also encourage parents to make contact to both Bus Éireann and local public representatives to highlight the need to provide extra routes and buses for the children of the area.

To assist parents with this process I have organised a Zoom meeting for Monday March 29 at 6pm. Please click on this link: <https://zoom.us/j/98055155665>

The aim of this meeting is to determine the need for bus transport in the catchment area and how we can try to secure extra placements. During this meeting I will try to answer any questions you may have and we can explore future options.

If you have any queries or concerns in relation to bus transport, please don't hesitate to contact me here in school.

Yours sincerely

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Fergal Boyle