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Dear Parent/Guardian

Bus consultation update

Thank you to those of you who took the time to attend the Community Engagement Events held over the course of last week with Brian Grady (Director of Education, Reading Borough Council). The feedback we have received has been very encouraging, but we must not rest on our laurels. To those who spoke a particular thank you for your passion and dedication to raising the profile of the concerns. As a school (and Trust) we were represented at a number of the sessions, and I am in liaison with Brian to clarify a couple of points that were made, in particular with reference to time frames.

However I can confirm, as per the [Brighter Futures for Children](#) website that the initial phase of the consultation has been extended until **29 March 2024**.

Thank you too, to all those who have responded to the survey to date – at last communication, RBC stated they had received more than 150 individual responses. We will be providing students with the opportunity to respond and have their views heard later this week with a dedicated assembly and time to complete the survey. If you have not yet been able to access the survey and add in your views, we would be grateful if you could – the greater the volume of responses, the harder the message is to ignore. You do not have to be a Reading resident (or current bus user) to complete the response form, as a member of the MECE community you are invited to share your views.

A reminder that the consultation is also now available to be completed via SurveyMonkey (link below) which is much more accessible than the previously released Word Document. We understand that you are not required to complete an answer in every box – you can just focus on the ones pertinent to MECE if you wish.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/9GRYP2Z?s=08>

Paper copies are available from reception – please feel free to pick one up or ask your son/daughter to collect to bring home.

Yours sincerely

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