

6th March 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

## Re: Disruption to 492/494 School Bus Service

East Sussex County Council contacted us yesterday regarding a scheme which is underway in Fort Road, Newhaven, which will impact Brighton and Hove School Buses accessing the school.

From next week there will be road closures on certain days of the week. Whilst Compass Travel's vehicles on the 145 (town service) and 493 will be able to manage the diversion route, Brighton & Hove's buses cannot. We have been advised that the afternoon route 492 and 494 journeys will not be able to serve the school on the relevant days and students wanting to catch these journeys will need to walk to 'The Fairway' stops on Brighton Road. There is a crossing here for those who will need to cross the road for the 492.

Brighton & Hove Buses have decided that the 492 and 494 journeys should start from The Fairway ten minutes after the normal scheduled departure time from the school to give students' time to walk to the stops. Therefore, on the relevant days, these journeys will start from The Fairway at 14:35.

Please note that in the mornings, the road closure will not be implemented until after 9am so all buses to the school will be able to operate the normal route.

The dates that the 492 and 494 afternoon journeys will not be able to serve the school are:

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March

The 492 and 494 will serve the school as normal on the Monday and Friday afternoons of those two weeks.

At present, it is not possible for the contractor to confirm what road closure days they will need the following week but we have been advised that there will be some required during the week commencing 23<sup>rd</sup> March. We will share this information as soon as it is available.

Yours sincerely

Stephanie Pitts Business Manager





## **Roadworks and Events Notice**

## 492/494 Fort Road Closure Tuesday-Thursday Weekly 10-12/17-19 March 2020

Due to the above road closure on the above dates the **492** will start from **'The Fairway'** bus stop facing eastbound, and the **494** facing westbound.

Both buses will depart 10 minutes later than they would have left the school grounds to make sure the children have enough time to get to the bus stops.

