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Dear Parent/Carer,

We are sending this letter as we believe that your child catches the K89 bus. Please accept our apologies if this is not the case.

Recently, due to the poor behaviour of some pupils, we have been forced to seat the pupils in certain pairs on the bus. We are unable to do an exact seating plan on the bus, as the number of pupils fluctuates each journey.

We know that the vast majority of our pupils behave extremely well and are always considerate and thoughtful of others however we do have a small minority who are making other pupils' life uncomfortable. Some pupils are displaying poor behaviour; using unpleasant language, standing up and intimidating other pupils and distracting the driver. We have had complaints from both pupils and parents. We have spoken to the pupils we believe are involved in these behaviours. Further poor behaviour will be dealt with as follows:

- **Incident 1** – first warning issued, letter sent home, 30 minute lunchtime detention
- **Incident 2** – second and final warning issued, letter sent home, 60 minute after school detention
- **Incident 3** – 5 day bus ban issued, letter sent home, 90 minute after school detention
- **Incident 4 or more** – further bus bans increasing in length which may lead to a complete ban from the bus

In the event of a serious incident, the school reserves the right to issue an immediate ban.

Please be reassured we take this matter very seriously and will not tolerate dangerous or antisocial behaviour on our school buses. We would be grateful if you could also speak to your child about being considerate of others on the bus. Please encourage your children to report any poor behaviour to the bus monitors, we will ensure all pupils know who they are, or to a member of staff in school. Your support with this would be most appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs S Kerr
Head of School

