Dear Parent/Carers,

With the recent announcement of the closure of Igobus/Denwells, we have been looking at the possibility of offering replacement school bus services to the current Igobus routes 3 and 4 to Pate's Grammar School and Sir Thomas Rich's School, subject to demand.

If we can secure enough interest, we intend to start operating the services from Monday 19th February 2024. Please find attached a copy of the proposed timetables which mirror the routes operated by Igobus, albeit with several minor time changes to improve punctuality.

The cost of travel until the end of the current academic year (July 2024) would be as follows:

Zone 1 Brimscombe	Cost per child* £100.00 deposit at the time of booking plus £731.25 if paid in full by 17:00hrs on Friday 23rd February 2024 or
Birnscombe Bussage Dudbridge Eastcombe Minchinhampton Nailsworth Painswick Rodborough Woodchester	£100.00 deposit at the time of booking plus £731.25 if paid in full by 17.00ms on Finaly 2310 February 2024 of £100.00 deposit at the time of booking plus further payments of £390.63 on 1st March 2024 & 1st April 2024 For two or more children travelling, a 5% discount will be available to claim for the second and all subsequent children.
Zone 2	Cost per child
Cranham Brockworth	£100.00 deposit at the time of booking plus £450.00 if paid in full by 17:00hrs on Friday 23rd February 2024 or £100.00 deposit at the time of booking plus further payments of £250.00 on 1st March 2024 & 1st April 2024 For two or more children travelling, a 5% discount will be available to claim for the second and all subsequent children.

In order to make the services financially viable, we require at least 50 passengers per service to commit to using it. If we cannot secure enough interest, we may not be able to proceed with the proposals or may consider merging both routes into one. If you would like to commit to using either service please email <u>hometoschool@marchants-coaches.com</u> with details of the bus stop you'd like to use, the number of children travelling and your contact details as soon as possible. A member of our Home to School Team will be in contact to take a £100 deposit per child to secure a seat/s on either service. If we cannot secure enough interest by 17:00hrs on Friday 9th February 2024, we will review the demand and may consider merging both routes into one or refund all monies paid by yourself on w/c Monday 12th February 2024.

Thank you for your interest in our replacement services. If you require any assistance, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Yours faithfully,

Home to School Team

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