



**EMMANUEL COLLEGE**  
*Emmanuel Schools Foundation*

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Dear [RecipientTitle] [RecipientSurname]

It has been confirmed to us this morning that a further bus strike will take place next week **between Saturday 14 October and Friday 20 October 2023 inclusive**. Below is an extract from the information I sent out before, which is worth again relaying:

*While dedicated scholars' buses normally operated by Go North East will operate as normal during the strikes as they have been prioritised, please be aware that these services are likely to be extremely busy and there is no available resource available to increase capacity on these routes.*

*For children, parents and staff that normally travel on local Go North East services to and from school, there will be no skeleton services in operation.*

*For holders of Go North East Season tickets (weekly, monthly, annual passes) please note these will be accepted on Tyne & Wear Metro services during the strike periods, please show staff your pass to travel.*

We recognise that this causes extra pressure and stress on our community as you seek to ensure students get to school on time, especially for students who get normal service buses. In order to support students and families, as during the previous strike, the school will be open from 7:30am for students so that if you choose to drop your children off earlier, they can access the inside of the building.

We will be sensitive to students who are unavoidably late due to the strikes next week, and thank you in advance for everything you are doing to seek to get your children to school on time next week. As the information above makes clear, Scholars' services should still be running. We will keep you up to date with any developments we are aware of.

Yours sincerely

Mr N Ogborn  
**Head of School**