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Dear Parent / Carer

## College Transport 2017-2018

The cost for College Transport, on all Cardinal Griffin Catholic College routes, for the Academic Year 2017-2018 will be **£480.00 per year for the first child** and **£395.00 per year for the second and subsequent child**, this will be offered on a return journey option only. Payments can be spread over 10 months for your convenience, the same as in previous years, £48.00/£39.50 per month starting in August 2016.

If you would like to use transport for the first time or are currently using the service, I would ask that you complete the attached application form and return it to the school office. Please note transport will be allocated on a 'first come, first served' basis; please refer to the attached 'Guide to Provision of School Transport' booklet.

Despite Significantly increasing operating costs (75% increase) since establishing the bus services, the Governors have remained committed to keeping school transport as low as is feasible for parents. The Governors are currently subsidising the cost of providing transport by approximately £31,000.00 per annum (£238 per pupil) and anticipate that these costs will rise as we renew our contracts for September 2017, due to increase in fuel and operating costs for transport companies.

The Governors have made the decision to retain the transport costs at the same levels in 2017-2018 as they were in 2016-2017 in order to support pupils who choose to travel to Cardinal Griffin Catholic College. However, in order to do this, we have had to evaluate the number of stops we are able to offer. We anticipate that pupils may have to walk slightly further to their nearest stop; however, Governors are determined to explore every option to keep the cost of transport down.

**All pupils who require a seat on school transport will need to complete an application form; even if they have previously used school transport or you think they may be entitled to a free place.**

If you have any queries or comments about this service, please contact me on 01543 502215 or by email [h.tapper@cardinalgriffin.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:h.tapper@cardinalgriffin.staffs.sch.uk) .

Yours sincerely

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Att: Application Form 2017-2018  
Timetable  
Guide to Provision of School Transport

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