Information from Wessex School Bus Update Facebook Page 6th November – Roadworks and Diversions

Afternoon everyone,
Apologies for the delay in getting this information out. We have been out on the routes this morning assessing the road closures and speaking with the school drivers affected to make sure the proposed diversions are suitable and safe for students travelling to and from school.

From **Monday 9th November**, three of our school bus routes will be affected by roadworks **for approximately five weeks.** Please read the information below carefully, as there are some changes to collection times and pick-up locations.

🚌**BEAMINSTER – TUNNEL ROADWORKS**
B1 – Revised journey times
All students should be ready for collection at their usual advertised pick-up times:
Frampton Church – 07:35
Maiden Newton, Newton Road – 07:43
Rampisham – 07:58
Benville Lane – 08:03
South Perrott, Coach and Horses – 08:15

Once the final student has been collected, the diversion will add approximately 20 minutes to the journey. The bus is expected to arrive at school at around 08:50.
There will also be an additional delay on the return journey home.

B4 – Revised collection times
All students will need to be ready 15 minutes earlier than their usual collection time. Please use the revised timetable below for the duration of the roadworks:
Bridge Cottages – 07:16
Evershot – 07:21
East Chelborough – 07:33
Halstock, Triangle – 07:41
Corscombe, Fox Inn – 07:52
Chedington Turn – 08:05
Post Office – 08:13
The diversion will add approximately 30 minutes to the journey once all students have been collected. The bus is expected to arrive at school at around 08:55.
There will also be an additional delay on the return journey home.

🚌**CATTISTOCK – ROADWORKS**
B2 – Revised pick-up location
For the duration of the roadworks, there will be no pick-ups in Frome St Quinton or Cattistock.
The nearest alternative pick-up point will be:
📍Maiden Newton Cenotaph, at the junction with the station.
There are currently no concerns about this service arriving at school on time.

📌Please be aware
We will be monitoring all three routes throughout the roadworks, particularly the B1 and B4, to make sure the revised arrangements are working as expected.

If any further changes are needed, we will update parents as soon as possible.

Thank you for your patience and understanding while these roadworks take place. We appreciate that changes to school transport can be disruptive, and we will do everything we can to keep journeys running as smoothly as possible.

Please share this post with any other parents or students who may be affected.

Thank you,

The First Bus Wessex Team