

Circular No.08/2024-25

## **SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES**

Dear Parents,

We hope this message finds you well. As always, the school is deeply committed to providing quality transport services for our students and greatly appreciate your continued support in ensuring their well-being.

We want to take a moment to address some important points regarding school transportation. Our school offers transportation as an optional facility, aimed at providing convenience to our students and their families.

- Presently, the school operates a fleet of 26 buses on the Senior routes and 6 on the Junior routes. We have
  noticed an increasing number of requests from parents asking for the buses to make stops at individual society
  gates, even when they are just 100 or 200 meters apart. We understand the desire for convenience, but it's
  crucial to recognize that some of our buses cover extensive distances of approximately 30 kilometres one way.
  Due to timing constraints and safety considerations, it's simply not feasible for buses to make stops at every
  individual society.
- 2. Additionally, we've received requests from parents asking the Transport incharge and in some cases the bus drivers to deviate from their routes to drop off their children directly in front of their society gates. While we empathize with these requests, we must prioritize the safety of our students above all else. Manoeuvring large vehicles in such a manner poses significant risks, and we cannot compromise on the safety of our children.
- 3. Please be reminded that our school adheres strictly to the Supreme Court guidelines regarding student enrollment and transportation. According to the judgment passed on 16.12.1997 in Writ Petition (C) No. 13029/1985, school buses are not permitted to carry children exceeding more than one and a half times the registered seating capacity and the strength is buses is as per the norms.
- 4. Further, we have also received requests from parents regarding picking up their children from one location in the morning and dropping them off at a day-care facility in the afternoon. Additionally some parents are also requesting the school staff to help their children cross the road. Regrettably, we are unable to accommodate such requests, parents are kindly requested to make their own arrangements for the pickup of children from the bus stop.
- 5. We sincerely urge parents not to engage in arguments with our staff regarding transportation matters. If you have any grievances or concerns, please address them via email **to the school Principal at** bbpsnd@balbharati.org. Rest assured, all emails are promptly responded to.

In response to requests from parents of senior students, we have adjusted the timings, and some students are now being transported via the junior routes. The details of these routes are available on the school website, and we are making every effort to ensure that children are dropped off at the nearest stop.

We sincerely thank you for your understanding and cooperation in prioritizing the safety and well-being of our students. If you have any further questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to us.

Asha Prabhakar (Principal)

Kindness, Resilience, Respect

Askaprabhahan







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