



Archbishop Blanch  
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# Archbishop Blanch School

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Dear Parents/ Carers

## **Re: Planned strike action by Arriva drivers**

We have been in regular communication with Merseytravel, Arriva and the bus companies who operate the Archbishop Blanch School buses in relation to the planned strike action by Arriva drivers on Thursday 19 October, Monday 23 October and Monday 30 October.

Firstly, please rest assured that if your daughter travels to and from school on one of the school buses – 600, 618, 619 or 646, those journeys will not be affected and your daughter can arrive at school and return home on that day, the same as usual.

At the time of writing this letter to you, the planned strike action is still expected to take place and if so, will affect students who travel by Arriva buses to school on Thursday 19 October (the last day of this half term) and Monday 30 October (the first day of the next half term).

For students who would use Arriva buses for their journey to school, please make alternative travel arrangements for them on those two days to ensure that their learning can continue. Any absence due to bus strikes would be marked as unauthorised.

Please also keep in touch with local the Arriva website, Merseytravel website and local news stations, in case the situation changes during the course of the week as the ongoing talks continue.

Yours sincerely

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