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A L.E.A.D. Academy

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Dear Parent/ Carer

As you are aware many students who attend The Birley Academy use the tram to travel to and from school. Overall we receive many positive comments from the public about our students and the way they conduct themselves during these journeys.

Unfortunately, I am concerned by recent reports of students behaving poorly on the journey home at the end of the day. This behaviour is antisocial, brings our academy into disrepute and most importantly causes distress to other passengers - including other students at the academy.

We work closely with Supertram to identify poor behaviour's of those few individuals and I will not hesitate to impose a consequence or sanction on any student who is found to be acting in such a way as to cause distress or risk to others or to bring the Academy into disrepute. In addition, Supertram might also be compelled to take appropriate action.

The safety of your child is paramount on the journey to and from school and that requires the excellent conduct and responsible behaviour of all.

Students should board the tram in an orderly manner, allowing passengers to leave the tram first. They should behave themselves appropriately when on the tram and if the tram is full they should wait for the next tram as any other passengers are expected to.

Staff are on duty on the route to the tram stop and at the tram stop itself to support students. Any unseemly behaviour should be reported either to the staff on duty or in the academy as soon as possible.

I would be grateful if you could discuss the contents of this letter with your child even if they only occasionally travel by tram.

As always, I am grateful for your support in this matter.

Yours faithfully

Gina Newton  
Headteacher