



# NORTON COLLEGE

## Beyond Expectations

5<sup>th</sup> October 2017

Dear Parents

### Introduction of Coastal Transport Bus Charges

Last night a number of families met with governor and staff representatives to discuss their ideas and questions in relation to the planned introduction of a charge for the coastal transport routes.

At the meeting it was clear that families were keen to know the range of charges being considered by governors and were informed that this was going to be between £300 and £480 per student. We would like to confirm formally that the charges will fall within this range. All the suggestions, comments and questions raised last night and before the meeting are currently being collated and will be shared with families affected via the school website shortly.

What are the next steps?

Governors will develop a number of proposals based on the above range of charges and share these with families by the 13<sup>th</sup> November. This will include models for phased introduction of charges for current pupils using the coastal transport. Following this, a further face to face meeting will be held with parents on the 20<sup>th</sup> November at 7.00 pm in Hudson Hall where parents will be asked to vote on their preferred option. If your family can not be represented at this meeting, you will be given the opportunity to vote for your preferred option via a form which should be returned to the Main Reception by 12.00 on the 20<sup>th</sup> November.

Additional issues and questions regarding transport not related to the introduction of a charging policy were also raised. These will be shared with those responsible for the operational management of the current contracted service and action arising from these points will be implemented as necessary.

Many thanks to all those who came to the meeting, thank you for choosing Norton for your children, we want to work with you to ensure that the introduction of coastal transport charges is undertaken as fairly as possible.

Yours faithfully

Norton College Governing Body