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Dear Parent / Carer

You will be aware that, sadly, there was a fire at the Angel hotel this morning. Fortunately, there were no reported injuries or casualties. The building has been very severely damaged and, as a result, I have been informed by the Local Authority and the Fire Service that North Street is likely to be closed for buses and pedestrians for the next few days. This will alter the transport routes into school for students as indicated below. I confirm that the school is open as normal for all students.

Students travelling from Easebourne direction

Whilst North Street is closed, school buses are being permitted to come onto site as normal. All buses from Easebourne will drop off / collect on the school site as normal. Buses that normally use the bus stand opposite the school will also collect / drop off students on the school car park instead of at the bus stand. It is unlikely that parents will be permitted to drop children off on the school site in the mornings.

Students travelling from Chichester / Petersfield direction

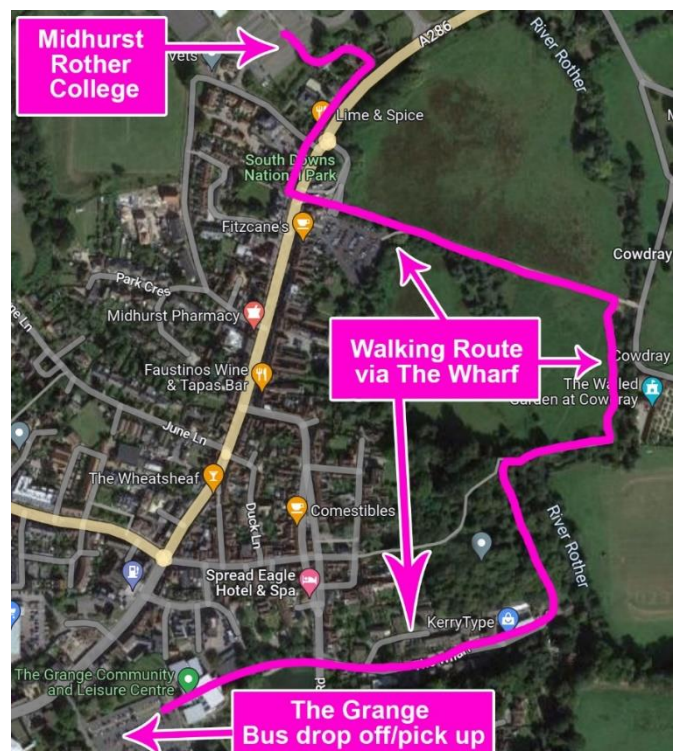
There is no access to the school site by vehicle from Chichester through the town; pedestrian access is very limited. Chichester District Council have arranged for all buses from the Chichester direction to drop children off and collect them from **The Grange** car park. Part of the car park will be coned off for student use to make sure they can board and alight buses safely.

Children who are dropped off and collected at The Grange will need to walk to school following the designated route below. Part of this area is a public footpath and can be muddy in parts – your child will need to wear suitable shoes if they are walking this route. They can change into school shoes when they arrive on site.

We will have staff on duty on the path between the school and The Grange to supervise children. School will finish at normal time and it is possible that, due to having to walk to get to The Grange, buses will leave later than normal. We also know that some students may arrive later to school through no fault of their own – they will not receive a late mark.

Yours sincerely

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