



Thursday, 7 May 2020

To our school community,

**Re school bus services delivered by State Transit during COVID-19**

Transport for NSW (TfNSW) is working closely with the Department of Education to ensure school students across the state get back to the classroom safely.

At State Transit we are proudly playing our role in making the return to face-to-face learning happen. This is one of the ways our people and our buses are continuing to support the community during the Coronavirus outbreak.

Parents and carers should make travel choices that suit their individual needs and circumstances but please know we are here to support them.

TfNSW continues to provide full public transport services across all modes during COVID-19 to enable essential travel, which includes State Transit's buses.

Cleaning across the entire transport network has been ramped up to protect our customers and our people. State Transit's entire bus fleet is sanitised every day, with a focus on high-touch areas like handrails, stop buttons and Opal readers.

We continue to promote and encourage social distancing, however this may not be possible at all times on buses carrying school students as we will not allow school children to be left at bus stops.

Please encourage students travelling with us to tap on and tap off with their Opal card, which helps us better understand travel patterns and service capacity.

We will continue to work with schools and monitor school services over the coming weeks.

The safety of your students and our bus drivers is my top priority. If you have any concerns during this time please contact your local State Transit depot.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Daniela Fontana'.

Daniela Fontana  
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**State Transit Authority**