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**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2023**

**RE: Strike Action – NX Bus West Midlands**

Dear Parents and Carers

As you may be aware, strike action has started today on buses operated by National Express West Midlands.

Further information can be found on the National Express website: [Strike action | NX Bus West Midlands](#) and on the attached note.

The strike is continuous and National Express are unable to advise on how long this will be for. If affected, parents and carers are advised to make alternative arrangements for students to continue to arrive to school on time.

Train, tram and other bus operators including [Diamond](#), [Arriva](#) and [Stagecoach](#) will be operating as normal but services are likely to be busier than usual.

Please continue to check the National Express website for further updates.

Yours Sincerely,

Mrs J Kler  
Principal

## **National Express West Midlands**

### **Buses affected by a strike**

See below for latest information - Published: 20th March 2023

A limited service, primarily serving the region's major hospitals, is operating. Please do not travel on a National Express bus unless absolutely necessary. (National Express coaches are running as normal.) Alternative public transport is still running, to find out more please visit the TfWM website.

These are the services we are running during strike action - this will be updated regularly

The list below shows the services that will be operating. We will try to operate more depending on driver availability. Please click on a link below to view the strike timetables for a service. This information is updated regularly, please check back later.

**4 | Birmingham - Solihull (via Sparkbrook, Tyseley, Acocks Green & Olton)**

**5 | West Bromwich - Sutton Coldfield (via Great Barr, Kingstanding & New Oscott)**

**6 | Birmingham - Solihull (via Sparkbrook, Sparkhill, Hall Green & Shirley) 6 | Dudley - Stourbridge (via Russells Hall Hospital, Brierley Hill & Amblecote)**

**28 | Heartlands Hospital - Great Barr (via Ward End, Castle Bromwich, Erdington, Old Oscott & Perry Beeches)**

**51 | Birmingham - Walsall (via Great Barr & Perry Barr)**

**87 | Birmingham - Oldbury (via Dudley (via City Hospital & Smethwick)**

**97 | Birmingham - Chelmsley Wood (via Bordesley Green, Heartlands Hospital & Meadway)  
529 | Wolverhampton - Walsall (via Willenhall)**

**X4 | Birmingham - Falcon Lodge (via Aston Expressway, Erdington, Sutton Coldfield & Good Hope Hospital)**

**X21 | Birmingham - Bartley Green (via Birmingham University, Selly Oak & Weoley Castle)**

Please continue checking this web page Strike action | NX Bus West Midlands for the latest updates and FAQs.

Our customer services teams have no further details at this time.

Useful information

General questions our customers are asking us

**What are the dates of strike action?** The strike is continuous. We have not been advised how long this will be for and will continue to post any updates on this webpage as soon as we can.

**Is the strike just happening today?** No, the strike is continuous. We have not been advised how long this will be for and will continue to post any updates on this webpage as soon as we can.

**How can I find out / what is the best way to find out what is going on?** The best way for you to stay updated with any developments is to visit this webpage. We will also be updating our Twitter and Facebook, so if you prefer to find out that way make sure you follow us.

**Why can't you just pay what your employees are asking for and avoid strike action?** We have made an offer, of a 14.3% pay increase which would have seen the average driver earn almost £33,000, which we believed is fair and responsible. We are continuing to talk to the union and assure you that we are doing everything we can to resolve this matter.

**Will buses be stopping at every bus stop on the services that are running?** Yes, buses will stop at all marked bus stops as normal on the routes that are being run. These routes can be found on our website. We anticipate that the services will be busy.