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Principal: Mrs Rachel Kitley Tuesday 6th May 2025

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Dear Parents and Carers,

RE: Roadworks and exams

You will, no doubt, have been made aware of the road works on Horsebridge Hill planned to commence on Monday 12th May. Unfortunately, this will bring significant travel disruption between Cowes and Newport that is likely to require a change in morning routine for the majority of our year 11 and 13 students due to sit exams over the next 2 months.

As this is an unpredictable situation and where the regulations around exams are set nationally; we are encouraging families who live beyond the planned road works to plan their adapted morning routines to ensure that students who are sitting national exams, in which start times do not have flexibility, are able to arrive on time for the examinations.

Over the weekend it has been confirmed that buses will be permitted to travel in both directions on Horsebridge Hill but to support the many who will be planning earlier journey times to 'beat the traffic' on exam days, we will be offering an earlier opening time of 7:30am and a breakfast for Year 11 and 13 students who have exams on that morning.

In order to allow families to rehearse any new morning routines we will be offering an early opening time and breakfast to all Year 11 and 13 students from 7.30am on Friday 9th May.

If, on the morning of an exam, you experience a particular difficulty with your planned travel, please contact the Academy on 01983 203103 as soon as possible to allow us to support in a way that will minimise the risk of complications which may affect exam results.

Please contact info@cowesec.org if you would like to discuss any concerns.

Kind regards,

Mr A Brown

Assistant Principal