



Headmaster Mr S J Boyd

28th January 2016

Dear Parents/Guardians,

As you may be aware, from the 1st of February Island Roads will be carrying out essential maintenance and resurfacing works to a small section of Newport Road; the original works were not due to begin until mid-February however Island Roads have now brought this forward. These works are expected to take up to 8 weeks and during this time there will be an amended bus timetable for those using the services 500 and 503.

The Local Authority in conjunction with Southern Vectis has issued the following bus timetable for use during this time.

500:

AM-

This bus will now operate **15 minutes** earlier than scheduled, departing from the first stop, Brading Bull Ring at 0725 and stopping at all scheduled stops 15 minutes prior to the usual pick up time - see below:

Brading Bull Ring: **0725**
Sandown High Street: **0730**
Lake Shops: **0735**
Green Lane Oaklyn Gardens: **0738**
Shanklin Bus Station: **0742**
Top of Cowlease: **0753**
Upper Bonchurch Letter Box: **0758**
The Island Free School: **0800**

PM-

There are no alterations to this route or timings. This bus will depart The Island Free School at 16:20 as per the original timetable

503:

This normally single bus will be split into two buses the 503 and the 503R these buses will run either side of the diversion.

AM-

The 503 will be a coach service running from Newport Bus Station as per the normal timetable until reaching Godshill, Yarborough Close at which point the bus will divert via Whitwell direct to The Island Free School.

The 503R, a double decker, will start in Upper Ventnor at 0735 and will arrive in Wroxall 0740. The bus will then divert via Shanklin to The Island Free School.

PM-

The 503 will run at the usual time, leaving The Island Free School at 1630 diverting via Whitwell to Godshill, it will then complete drops as normal from Godshill to Newport Bus Station.

The 503R will depart from The Island Free School at 1645 and operate via Shanklin to Wroxall and Upper Ventnor.

For students using the 330 there will be no amendments to the timetable, however students will have to change buses either side of the closure.

For students travelling on any public bus services to or from The Island Free School via Newport Road, we ask that you please liaise with Southern Vectis about any changes to times and routes.

If you have any questions about any of this information please contact School Transport at the Local Authority on 01983 821000.

Kind Regards,

The Island Free School Team