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Dear Principal and Bus Duty Teachers,

We would like to share the following useful resource with you; as we work to support our valued partners, Translink, on increasing awareness of safety among all road users, particularly our children and young people.

By scanning the QR code in the image below, you will be able to watch a short video which Translink has produced on how to get on and off buses safely.

You may wish to share the video and information below with your pupils and school community.

We are grateful for your continued support.

The Education Authority website has useful information and learning resources on staying safe while using school transport which can be found [here](#).

Yours sincerely,



**Tracy Kennedy, Assistant Director, Transport**

#### **Safety Alighting Bus Services >>**

Unfortunately, every year Translink see a number of safety related incidents whereby children and young people are injured directly after alighting bus services.

These incidents tend to occur when pedestrians attempt to cross the road either behind or in front of the bus, whilst it remains at the bus stop.

Visibility of pedestrians to other road users is restricted by the bus.

#### **Key Safety Message >>**

Pedestrians should:

- Never cross the road in front of or behind a bus.
- Wait until the bus has moved away from the bus stop and the road is clear before attempting to cross.

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