

Our ref: SSM/AKE

Tuesday 6th September 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

### **Additional Tour of Britain Information**

You are probably already aware that Bassetlaw will welcome some of the world's top cycling teams on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> September as they race through Nottinghamshire as part of Stage Five of the Tour of Britain. An advance warning text was sent to all parents/carers at the end of last half term regarding possible road closures around the Sparken Hill entrance of the Academy. We have now received further information from Bassetlaw District Council.

The riders are expected to pass through Sparken Hill around 2.30pm. **Therefore, a road closure of Sparken Hill will occur from around 2.15pm-3.30pm.**

Rolling road closures will be in place normally 15 minutes before the ETA of the first riders. Once the peloton and support vehicles have passed through, the roads will reopen, which means a rolling road closure of around 30-45mins for some areas. You can find some more information on rolling road closures here - [The Tour of Britain road closures](#)

### **What this means for Outwood Academy Portland at the end of the day on Thursday 8th September:**

- Due to the rolling road closure, the Sparken Hill entrance **will be closed to parents and students** at the end of the day on Thursday 8th September.
- All students will leave via the Netherton Road entrance.
- No vehicles will have access to the Sparken Hill entrance visitors car park at the end of the day.
- If students wish to watch the riders pass, they will be permitted to walk through Sparken Hill gates but must be prepared to remain on Sparken Hill and follow the expectations of the tour marshalls.
- Due to the expected increase of vehicle usage at the Netherton Road entrance, **no parent/carers will be permitted to access the waiting area of the Netherton Road entrance.**
- The waiting area at the entrance will be used for school buses only.
- Parents that are collecting students in vehicles on this date must arrange with their child an alternative collection point, outside of the Netherton Road entrance. If you require special access arrangements for your child, please contact the academy on the school number.
- At the end of the day students will be released at a staggered pace to minimise the congestion in the bus park.

If you would like to know more about Stage Five of the Tour of Britain, full approximate timings for the race can be found here - [The Tour of Britain | Stage Five Timetable](#).

Yours faithfully,



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**Principal**

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