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Dear Mr Duncan

Thank you for your letter regarding petition 014-23, lodged by Ms Emma Davidson MLA, regarding a school bus for Lyons Early Childhood School.

I appreciate the concerns raised by families enrolled at Lyons early Childhood School with regards to connection to Hughes Primary School using public transport.

The focus for Transport Canberra is to ensure connection between priority enrolment area primary schools and high schools as students enrolled do not have the option of attending the same schools as their siblings due to their age.

Noting enrolment of students into the Lyons Early Childhood School is through choice of the parents and not set by priority enrolment guidelines, Transport Canberra is unable to provide a connecting service between the two schools due to resourcing limitations.

Consideration to a change in bell times by the schools may assist in providing a solution to ensure parents are able to collect children with ease. I will raise this with Ms Yvette Berry MLA as the Minister for Education and suggest she raise this with the schools as a potential solution. The Education Directorate would need to consult with the school community before changing either school hours.

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I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Chris Steel', written in a cursive style.

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