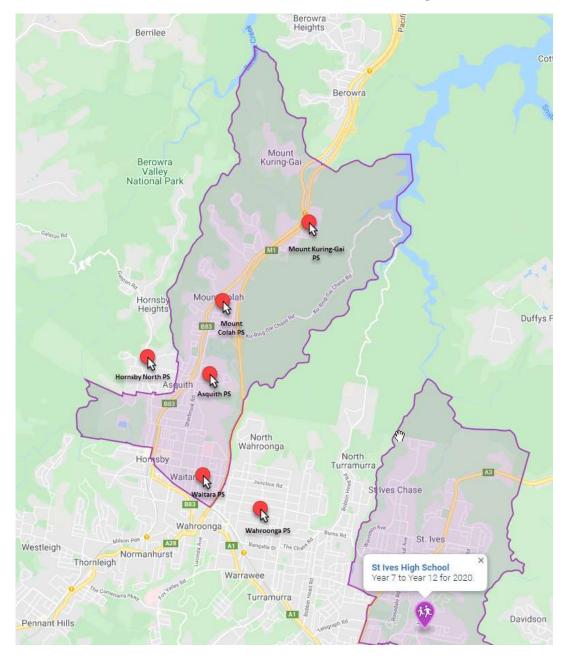


# Northern Draw Primary School P&C Associations Petition for Improved Transport Services to and from St Ives High School September 2020

**Public Report** 

Coordinated by Asquith Public School P&C Association Enquiries to: petitions@stivespandc.com



#### **Current Northern Draw Catchment for St Ives High School**

This map shows the Northern Draw catchment area and the location of the schools who participated in the petition.

Waitara, Asquith, Hornsby North, Mount Colah and Mount Kuring-Gai Public Schools had significant representation in this petition.

The families participating in the survey lived in Hornsby, Asquith, Mt Colah, Waitara, Mt Kuring-Gai, Wahroonga, Berowra and Hornsby Heights.

# What do we want to change?

As the local co-ed catchment high school for most families living in these suburbs, frequent, integrated bus and train services are vital to ensure our kids can easily get to and from St Ives High, taking into account senior lessons and <u>extra-curricular activities</u> that are an important part of a students' education and positive high school experience.

The lack of integrated train and bus services, poor scheduling, and insufficient capacity for the growing number of students who need to use them:

- has a negative impact on the wellbeing of students, who face unpredictable and unacceptably long journey times home
- has a negative impact on the environment, as parents opt to drive their children due to the lack of viable transport options
- creates an inequality for students who wish to take part in extra-curricular activities that are part of school life but have no access to a viable transport service and do not have anyone to drive them to and from St Ives High.

#### We have chosen this time to petition for:

- 1. St lves High to have its own afternoon bus service to Gordon Train station, originating at St lves High.
- 2. Additional dedicated and public bus services between Gordon Train Station and St Ives High School between 7 am and 9 am.
- Additional dedicated and public bus services from St Ives High School to Gordon Train Station between 2:15 pm and 5 pm
- 4. Increased frequency of train services from Gordon Train Station to beyond Hornsby (Asquith, Mt Colah, Mt Kuring-Gai, Berowra) between 2:30 pm and 5 pm
- 5. The re-introduction of 594H direct bus services from Hornsby Station to St Ives High School (AM) or, an extension of the existing 591 Service between Hornsby and St Ives to include St Ives High (before terminating at St Ives Shops). An increase in service frequency running every 20 minutes between 7 am and 8 am (4 services) and from St Ives High School to Hornsby every 20 minutes between 3:20 pm and 4:20 pm (4 services).

#### Northern Draw Primary P&C Petition for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High

STUDENT TRANSPORT TO

ST IVES HIGH SCHOOL

It is critical to ensure that the infrastructure is in place to support the safe transportation to and from the school within the school intake area. This is more important given the mandate that children are supposed to attend their area mandated high school.

Jenny-Asquith PS

With a lack of a co-Ed public high school in close vicinity it it vital that students have effective, accessible and integrated transport options to their designated co-Ed high school. Josephine—Asquith PS

Travelling to our catchment high school should be convenient and safe. Allowing our kids to take part in all the extra curricula activities that the school offers should not be discouraged because of lack of convenient transport options. Melissa—Mt Ku-ring-gai PS Think about how many cars that will be off the road if better public transport is available Phoebe—Asquith PS

My son starts high school in 2022. It is such a shame that such a great school is so difficult to access, when it is our catchment high school! Belinda—Mt Ku-ring-gai PS

I understand St Ives High is a great school and better transport options would make it much more likely we would choose it as an option for both our children. Ashley -Asquith PS

If we don't get better transport, next year my son should be spending over 2.5 hours a day travelling. This is our local public school, in the biggest city in Australia. To save time, I am planing to tell my 12 year old, to ride his scooter unsupervised from our house to the 591 bus and from St lves shops to the school (about 6km a day). If private schools can use government funding to pick up students from all over the city, surely our public transport system can work with our public schools to effectively and safely transport our school students. Given the large number of students at many of the primary schools in the area, this problem is going to get worse and affect more people and it is time to fix it. If he can save 1.5 hours a day – that's a full workday every week. Imagine what he could achieve with that time. I personally think this one is essential: The re-introduction of the 594H direct bus service from Hornsby Station to St Ives High School (cancelled a year ago), and/or, an extension of the existing 591 service between Hornsby and St Ives to include St Ives High before terminating at St Ives Shops. Jack—Waitara PS

> My children are starting at St Ives next year and it's disappointing that the bus and train services don't align more readily to allow the children on the Upper North Shore to make their journey home in a more efficient manner. Between buses arriving after trains have left and trains that don't stop at all stations they are left to wait for connecting transport. Lisa -Mount Colah

#### Northern Draw Primary P&C Petition for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High

Students need to be able to independently make their way to and from Asquith, Mt Colah and surrounding suburbs to their local co-educational public high school, St Ives High School, using a combination of bus and train services that cater for normal school hours plus extracurricular activities. The timetables should be integrated in a sensible way so children are not left waiting at public transport stops. I fully support increased services so the children in my son's primary school class can all safely attend this high school when they are older. Stephanie—Asquith PS

There needs to be a school bus service designated to service the catchment area of mount ku-ring-gai, mount Colah, asquith and waiters. St Ives is the co-ed high school and appropriate transport should be available for students to access their school in the safest most direct way. At the very least the homsby station to St Ives high school bus should reinstated. Lisa—Mount Colah PS

Supporting school kids in getting to and from their local school as efficiently and safely as possible is an important way to support them in getting the most out of their high school experience. Let's not let them down by making transport hard when it can be easier. Lara—Asquith PS

More frequent services during school travel times is a must. Been an issue for years Especially for train services from Hornsby - Berowra and the stops in between Megan—Asquith PS High quality public transit for school children would go a long way to reducing pressure on our local roads network, in addition to improving the quality of life for many of the families with children at St Ives. Aaron, Homsby North PS

Yes have already written a letter to Matt Kean he did respond and assure me that he was going to keep up the fight for transport issues!! Well that was 2 years ago?! Toni—Asquith PS

STUDENT TRANSPORT TO ST IVES HIGH SCHOOL

St Ives HS is such an amazing school. To allow their students to reach their potential it is vital to minimise their commute. Travel times of 2 or more hours per day, for a local school is unacceptable. Out of hours activities are cut and time for homework is reduced. Craig—Hornsby North PS

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St Ives is our children's zoned High School. Currently for our children to get to school it would entail 1) Walk to Waitara Station (2.1km), train from Waitara to Gordon and then a bus from Gordon Station to St Ives Estimated time 1.5-2hrs each way. I find it confusing that if they applied to go to a school that was not in their zone, Ku-ring-gai High School their transport would be 1) walk to Jubillee st (900m), get a direct bus Estimated time 40mins. We are pleased that St Ives is an option for our children but feel the transport needs to be improved. Amy—Waitara PS

My older son attends St Ives High school and suffers greatly as a result of the poor public transport system to and from Asquith and St Ives High. As a result, he does not partake in after school activities due to the poor network and time taken. If public transport improves, it will benefit my son socially, and will improve his options to further his education and extra curricular activities. We'd like to see the improvements implemented before our daughter completes primary school and commences attending high school Chris—Hornsby North PS St Ives is our children's zoned High School. Currently for our children to get to school it would entail 1) Walk to Waitara Station (2.1km), train from Waitara to Gordon and then a bus from Gordon Station to St Ives Estimated time 1.5-2hrs each way. I find it confusing that if they applied to go to a school that was not in their zone, Ku-ringgai High School their transport would be 1) walk to Jubillee st (900m), get a direct bus Estimated time 40mins. We are pleased that St Ives is an option for our children but feel the transport needs to be improved. Amy—Waitara PS

When Barker Collage can run a bus to Avalon paid for with government transport funding, St Ives high school should have a bus to and from Hornsby station and coordinated trains Eliza—Waitara PS

Lack of dedicated buses makes me nervous on how my son will cope starting year 7 next year. The time taken to travel to and from school due to lack of transport options is a real concern. Ruth—Asquith PS

> Preference for direct bus services from Hornsby Station to St Ives High School from 7am to 9am and direct bus services from St Ives High School to Hornsby Station from 3.15pm to 6pm Monday's to Friday's during school term. May— Hornsby North PS

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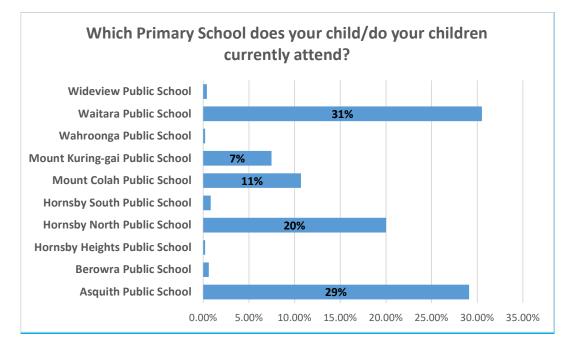
# **By Primary School Affiliation**

This petition was coordinated by Asquith Public School P&C Association in conjunction with Hornsby North, Mount Colah, Mount Kuring-gai and Waitara P&C Associations.

The petition opened on 2nd September 2020 and closed on the 20<sup>th</sup> September 2020.

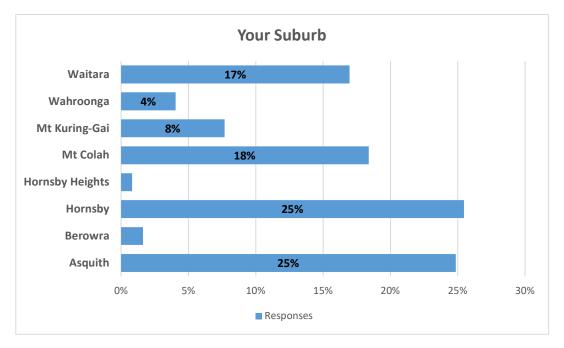
At close, **495** families had signed the petition and **164** had made comments detailed in this document. Feedback is sorted by Primary School Affiliation.

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#### **Petition Data**

Primary School	Response	s
Waitara Public School	31%	151
Asquith Public School	29%	144
Hornsby North Public School	20%	99
Mount Colah Public School	11%	53
Mount Ku-ring-gai Public School	7%	37
Other (please specify)		13
Hornsby South Public School	1%	4
Berowra Public School	1%	3
Wideview Public School	0%	2
Hornsby Heights Public School	0%	1
Wahroonga Public School	0%	1
Brooklyn Public School	0%	0
Cowan Public School	0%	0
	Answered	495



#### **Petition Data**

Your Suburb	Re	sponses
Hornsby	25%	126
Asquith	25%	123
Mt Colah	18%	91
Waitara	17%	84
Mt Kuring-Gai	8%	38
Wahroonga	4%	20
Berowra	2%	8
Hornsby Heights	1%	4
Brooklyn	0%	1
Other (please specify)		1
Cowan	0%	0
	Answered	495

# Estimated Number of 2020 Year 6 Students in Participating Schools

School	<b>Estimated Students</b>	Estimated Year 6 students
Mt Colah	460	66
Asquith Public	420	60
Waitara Public School	977	140
Hornsby North Public school	960	137
Mount Kuring-Gai Public School	190	27
Total In SIHS Catchment	3007	430

#### Estimated Year 7 Intake for St Ives High School 2021: 210

# Actual Year 7 Registration to Date for St Ives High School 2021: 260 This is the equivalent of nine Year 7 classes

# In 2021 St Ives High is not taking any out of area enrolments

144 families affiliated with Asquith Public School signed our petition for improved student transport to St Ives High School. Where they have also provided comments they appear below and on the pages.

#### **Asquith Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
Kids from Asquith are disadvantaged Compared to Mt Colah, Mt Kuringgai and Berowra kids. They all catch the same "all to Berowra" train from Hornsby, but the Asquith kids don't get a gold push		

all catch the same "all to Berowra" train from Hornsby, but the Asquith kids don't get a gold push pass. I'm sure there has been a mistake made here, as the current system doesn't make sense. Thanks

## **Asquith Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
We need frequent and dedicated transport services to allow our kids independence and to make it easy to get to their local high school.		

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Withheld	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
Lack of transport is one reason why I didnt send my child to st Ives high school	

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Withheld	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
A direct service to the station would be beneficial for all students from our catchment area.	

# **Asquith Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Withheld	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
I understand St Ives High is a great school and better transport options would make it much more likely we would choose it as an option for both our children.	

# **Asquith Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
Needs to be improved. Bus run should start at Mt Kur down Pacific Hwy to Hornsby then to St Ives		

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
As St Ives is one of the only co-ed high schools around it is really important that we improve the way our kids can get to school		

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
The students deserve to have accessible public transport to and from school. If the catchment for St Ives High School extends north or Hornsby, the trnasport options should reflect this. My child		

St Ives High School extends north or Hornsby, the trnasport options should reflect this. My child will need public transport to get to school as I work full time, and adding an hour to his daily travel time due to services that don't link is unfair compared to other students in the lower catchment with better transport options.

## **Asquith Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Asquith		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
As the local population grows so to will the need for better transport. A safe and direct bus		

service with ample space for students is an essential service for the local community

# **Asquith Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
Direct bus service from areas north of Hornsby in the catchment are also important		

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
I think the bus directly from the Hornsby area to St Ives School is desperately needed.		

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Withheld	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
On Bus from Asquith	

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Withheld	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
Children deserve the right to travel to a co-education school safely. The more difficult it is to get to and from school the less likely children will want to go to school!	

# **Asquith Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
Our year 7 boy has to currently be driven to band every Wednesday due to inadequate transport options. He misses out on other before and after school activities due to both my husband and I going to work those days.		

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
Need to have well connected student transport from Asquith to St Ives high school which is within our school catchment area		

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Withheld	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
It needs to regular with options to help working parents. Some of us need to leave for work early and have few options to be home on time.	

# **Asquith Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Mt Colah	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
These new services are need to be implemented to reduce crowding in public trains so our students can maintain government mandated social distancing.	

# **Asquith Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Asquith	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
This is a very much needed service	

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Mt Colah	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
More direct and more often services are required.	

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Mt Colah	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
Transport from our suburb of Mt Colah will be very difficult as we are not close enough to the train station so it would involve two buses and a train. This is ridiculous for our catchment co-ed school.	

# **Asquith Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
Yes		

# **Asquith Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Withheld	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
With a lack of a co-Ed public high school in close vicinity it it vital that students have effective, accessible and integrated transport options to their designated co-Ed high school.	

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
there are no other co ed public schools from st ives to berowra there should be the minimum the government should be providing is a direct bus to and from Hornsby station to st ives high for school students only		

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Withheld	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
We will be using this transport route in the future, and it would make selecting st ives high as our high school much easier, knowing their are good transport links for the kids. They have their whole adult life to worry about long commutes, kids should have easy commutes to school.	

## **Asquith Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
please improve the transport or create a co-ed school in Hornsby!		

# **Asquith Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Withheld	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
Supporting school kids in getting to and from their local school as officiently and safely as possible.	

Supporting school kids in getting to and from their local school as efficiently and safely as possible is an important way to support them in getting the most out of their high school experience. Let's not let them down by making transport hard when it can be easier.

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Withheld	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
Need bus or train to and from St Ives High School	

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
There are absolutely not enough Buses and Trains between Gordon and Mount Colah. This is very inconvenient for commuters and students will have to waste their time on travelling. There are more and more people moving and living in this area now and therefore it really needs more frequent transportation services.		

# **Asquith Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Withheld	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
So many of our primary aged children will be going to St Ives high school, as the only public co-ed	

school in our area. As congestion on the transport system increases and we are more aware of public health and safety risks such as COVID-19, it seems obvious that we need to create better direct and exclusive public transport links to help our kids get safely to and from school.

## **Asquith Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
More frequent services during school travel times is a must. Been an issue for years Especially for train services from hornsby - berowra and the stop in between		

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Withheld	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
A direct bus from the school Am Pm to Asquith train station with no stops would be great.	

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Asquith	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
We must have increased bus & train services before & after school hours for children wanting to participate in extra curricular activities. A direct bus service to & from Asquith & Hornsby station would be my preference.	

# **Asquith Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
Think about how many cars that will be off the road if better public transport is available		

# **Asquith Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
Please help kids to focus on studies by making commute easier for them.		

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld h		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
A dedicated school bus service beyond Hornsby would also be fantastic.		

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Hornsby	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
more frequent bus and train services to and from St Ives High School are essential to students attending high school	

# **Asquith Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Withheld	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
Our daughter is about to start at St Ives High in 2021. We need her to have safe transport options	

from school to home and be able to take part in school band.

# **Asquith Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Withheld	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
Students need to be able to independently make their way to and from Asquith, Mt Colah and surrounding suburbs to their local co-educational public high school, St Ives High School, using a combination of bus and train services that cater for normal school hours plus extracurricular activities. The timetables should be integrated in a sensible way so children are not left waiting at public transport stops. I fully support increased services so the children in my son's primary school class can all safely attend this high school when they are older.	

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
A bus straight from Asquith to St Ives is definitely my preference. There is a bus that stops at Asquith that goes to Kuringai High School which isn't even our area school. Our kids should have the same benefits to their in area co-ed high school.		

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
Really important To have frequent and safe direct transport to the school.		

# **Asquith Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Withheld	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
direct bus services from the stations in catchment suburbs would be idle	

# **Asquith Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
It can take 2 hours to get home from SIHS, unacceptable. The trains and buses need to be improved. There is a big issue with trains past Hornsby.		

## **Asquith Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
I support the suggested changes to improve transport to St Ives High school.		

# END OF ASQUITH PUBLIC SCHOOL COMMENTS

#### **Berowra Public School**

3 families affiliated with Berowra Public School signed our petition for improved student transport to St Ives High School. No comments were provided by these families.

## Hornsby Heights Public School

One family affiliated with Hornsby Heights Public School signed our petition for improved student transport to St Ives High School. No comment was provided by this family:

99 families affiliated with Hornsby North Public School signed our petition for improved student transport to St Ives High School. Where they have also provided comments they appear below and on the following pages .

#### **Hornsby North Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
High quality public transit for school children would go a long way to reducing pressure on our local roads network, in addition to improving the quality of life for many of the families with children at St Ives.		

# **Hornsby North Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Withheld	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
it is inconvenient for students who live in the Hornsby area to travel to St Ives High School. It is very necessary to arrange a new routine school bus for them.	

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Withheld	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
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My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
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# **Hornsby North Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
A bus from Hornsby to St Ives would be the safest option for the many students that travel to the school.		
Hornsby North Public School		
Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		

should have a direct one

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
We are concerned over travelling time to and from school . It doesn't make sense to have to spend an hour to a school that is in our catchment zone.		

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
More frequent and dedicated St ives high transport services please		

# **Hornsby North Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Withheld	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
please students are can go to school easily.	

# **Hornsby North Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
We need a school bus to St ives high school!		

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
Would like to have school bus .		

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
Pls improve it. It's the only co-Ed highschool we r in catchment for		

# Hornsby North Public School

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Withheld	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
Betterment	

# **Hornsby North Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
It needs to be easily accessible and frequent for all students.		

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
Preference for direct bus services from Hornsby Station to St Ives High School from 7am to 9am and direct bus services from St Ives High School to Hornsby Station from 3.15pm to 6pm Monday's to Friday's during school term.		

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Withheld	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
It would be great if my kids could go to St Ives high school directly from Hornsby station to the school.	

# **Hornsby North Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Withheld	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School: It's good have school bus to and fro from Mt Kuringai, Mt Colah, Asquith and Hornsby to St Ives High.	

# Hornsby North Public School

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Withheld	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
I would like to see a bus from Hornsby station to St. Ives High School	

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
Yes we want direct transport (Bus)from asquith to st Ives high school. Please improve transport from Asquith to st Ives high school.		

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Withheld	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
Yes	

# **Hornsby North Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb:		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
More buses please		

#### **Hornsby North Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
Would be great, if we have direct transport to and from st Ives High school.		

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
Inadequate and discriminating for students attending St Ives who require train transport along the north shore. Insufficient buses to the station and limited train services are non inclusionary for these students.		

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Withheld	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
Please increase the public transport to st.ives high school	

# **Hornsby North Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Withheld	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
there was a bus from hornsby to st ives in early morning, but it had been cxlled a few years ago. there should be more bus to facilitate students to join morning or after school activities, eg. band	

# END HORNSBY NORTH PUBLIC SCHOOL COMMENTS

One family affiliated with Hornsby South Public School signed our petition for improved student transport to St Ives High School. The comment provided appears below this table.

# Hornsby South Public School

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Withheld	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
Direct transport Hornsby to st ives	

# END HORNSBY SOUTH COMMENTS

53 families affiliated with Mount Colah Public School signed our petition for improved student transport to St Ives High School.Where they have also provided comments they appear below and on the following pages.

#### **Mount Colah Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
Transport to and from school is a major deciding factor when choosing a school. The way it is now my children would not be attending.		

#### **Mount Colah Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
This is such a requirement to keep the kids safe and to get them to and from school.		

#### **Mount Colah Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
I support this petition. Something has to be done		

#### **Mount Colah Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
The lack of effective public transport to st lves high is a major problem		

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
It's a lot of transfers and very overwhelming. If it's our catchment school why isn't there direct travel?		

#### **Mount Colah Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
Yes. Is this the dark ages.		

# **Mount Colah Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
Direct transport to the local coeducational high school is very important. We don't like single sex schools but unfortunately have no other closer options		

# **Mount Colah Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
There needs to be a school bus service designated to service the catchment area of mount ku- ring-gai, mount Colah, asquith and waiters. St Ives is the co-ed high school and appropriate transport should be available for students to access their school in the safest most direct way. At the very least the hornsby station to St Ives high school bus should reinstated.		

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
Not a viable public co-Ed option. I am a strong supporter of public co-Ed education and was extremely disappointed to hear of the impossible travel time that will be posed on my 3 children. The school is to far away.		

# **Mount Colah Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
Current arrangements are unworkable		

# **Mount Colah Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
Improved options would be desirable		

# **Mount Colah Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
Ideally I would like a bus route through Mt Colah and Asquith directly to St Ives High School. Or at least a bus from Hornsby station to St Ives.		

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
I agree with all of the proposed ideas		

# **Mount Colah Public School**

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
When my child starts next year it will take her a bus to get to mt colah station, then a train to Gordon then a bus to school. This is an incredible amount of travel changes for a 12 year old. Mt Kuring-Gai who is NOT our catchment school has a bus come to the front of our house. I don't understand this. I should be able to put my child on one mode of transport, 2 at the most to get to a catchment school. This must be revised!		

## END MOUNT COLAH PUBLIC SCHOOL COMMENTS

#### Mount Ku-ring-gai Public School

37 families affiliated with Mount Ku-ring-gai Public School signed our petition for improved student transport to St Ives High School.Where they have also provided comments they appear below and on the following pages.

#### Mount Kuring-gai Public School

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School: Need a bus!!!		

# Mount Kuring-gai Public School

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
It was one of the 2 reasons why I didn't choose St Ives as a high school for my child		

#### Mount Kuring-gai Public School

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
Mount K to st Ives is a long way! We need a local high school in Hornsby		

#### Mount Kuring-gai Public School

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
My son starts high school in 2022. It is such a shame that such a great school is so difficult to access, when it is our catchment high school!		

# Mount Kuring-gai Public School

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
There isn't enough public transport services directly to St Ives High school		

# Mount Kuring-gai Public School

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
I'm considering sending my now year 3 child to St Ives High, but current transport options are of concern. I would like to see a better transport options available to students commuting to and from school.		

# Mount Kuring-gai Public School

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
Improve public transport for children who travels to St Ives Public school from mount KuringGai, Mount Colah, waiters, Hornsby		

## Mount Kuring-gai Public School

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
Needs improving for kids travelling from our area. Trains/ buses need to line up		

## Mount Kuring-gai Public School

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
Improved transport to our catchment high school would have made a difference in our choice of high school		

## Mount Kuring-gai Public School

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
Travelling to our catchment high school should be convenient and safe. Allowing our kids to take part in all the extra curricula activities that the school offers should not be discouraged because of lack of convenient transport options.		

## Mount Kuring-gai Public School

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
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## END MOUNT KU-RING-GAI PUBLIC SCHOOL COMMENTS

151 families affiliated with Waitara Public School signed our petition for improved student transport to St Ives High School.Where they have also provided comments they appear below and on the following pages.

#### Waitara Public School

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
Older children who travel to St Ive's from Waitara spend an hour each way to the school and back.		

#### Waitara Public School

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School: Need more buses, frequency of buses is very low.		

#### Waitara Public School

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
improved transportation for students in the st-ives catchment will be a huge plus		

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
There should be some Form Of regular with increased frequency transport service for students enrolling to st ives from catchment areas		

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
I would like to have an easy and direct transport from waitara public school catchment to St Ives high school.		

# Waitara Public School

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Withheld	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
Door to Door Bus service between Hornsby station and the school is necessary.	

# Waitara Public School

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Waitara		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
I am in support of Direct Bus Service from Hornsby to St Ives high school. Happy to pay extra charges as well if required but definitely tgere should be direct bus. Thanks		

# Waitara Public School

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
When Barker Collage can run a bus to Avalon paid for with government transport funding. St Ives		

When Barker Collage can run a bus to Avalon paid for with government transport funding, St Ives high school should have a bus to and from Hornsby station and corodinated trains

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Withheld	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
If we don't get better transport, next year my sort travelling. This is our local public school, in the big to tell my 12 year old, to ride his scooter unsuper lves shops to the school (about 6km a day). If pri up students from all over the city, surely our publis schools to effectively and safely transport our sch students at many of the primary schools in the ar more people and it is time to fix it. If he can save week. Imagine what he could achieve with that ti	ggest city in Australia. To save time, I am planing vised from our house to the 591 bus and from St vate schools can use government funding to pick ic transport system can work with our public nool students. Given the large number of ea, this problem is going to get worse and affect 1.5 hours a day – that's a full workday every

Name: Withheld

Email: Withheld

My Suburb: Withheld

#### My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:

I have a son currently at St Ives. He leaves at 7am every morning. The reason is that he can catch the first bus that goes to St Ives. The later buses are so crowded that a year 7 student is scared of the squash and worried he will get shoved to the back and not get to school. I drive my son two days a week so he can attend choir and band. Once my other children start to go to St Ives and have their own before school activities, I can forsee that I will have to drive every day because there is no adequate public transport to the school to enable children to undertake extra activities. Burns Rd is already at stand still at the Bobin Head Rd crossing, meaning that I do the rat race through Wahroonga to get to St Ives. I am not the only parent doing this. As more parents are forced to do this because of the lack of public transport, this road will become unworkable (more than it already is). This is bad for the environment and unsustainable. In the afternoon, because my son doesn't have a "push pass" he gets shunted to the back of the queue for the buses. This has meant that on Tuesday afternoons, when they are supposed to finish at 2:15, he has not been home by 4pm and as a result the maths tutoring that is scheduled for 4pm has had to be delayed. You would have thought that it shouldn't take 1hr 45 minutes for him to get home but the buses are that bad and that infrequent that if you don't get on, there isn't another one until over 1 hour later. What will happen when he reaches senior levels and wants to do extension subjects that include a period zero? Will that mean that he decides to limit his potential, just because it is too hard to get to school? This is not equitable. Distance to school should not limit your potential or your access to school activities. The government needs to fix this by providing more bus services from the catchment area. Personally I feel that dedicated bus services (note plural, not just one) departing from each of the feeder primary schools is not too much to ask, catering for before and after school activites as well as the normal bell times. There is nothing adequate about the current situation.

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
It will be a shame to not choose a school or relocate due to lack of easy and safe transport facilities. Request to kindly look into this		

## Waitara Public School

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Withheld	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
I personally think this one is essential. The re-in	troduction of the 594H direct hus service from

I personally think this one is essential: The re-introduction of the 594H direct bus service from Hornsby Station to St Ives High School (cancelled a year ago), and/or, an extension of the existing 591 service between Hornsby and St Ives to include St Ives High before terminating at St Ives Shops.

#### Waitara Public School

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
Bus option from Hornsby to St Ives High School is much needed.		

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
Public transport need to be reliable for the kids who lives in Waitara		

Name: Withheld	Email Withheld
My Suburb: Withheld	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
Increased frequency in bus services from Waitara/ Hornsby to St. Ives high school in the mornings and afternoons	

## Waitara Public School

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Withheld	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
It is essential IMO.	

# Waitara Public School

Name: Withheld	Email Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
I wish to have a school bus service from Hornsby Station to St Ives High School, it will help students and parents a lot.		

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
My family highly expect there could be transportation between Waitara area and St Ives High School		

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Withheld	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
we need school bus from waitara to st ives high school for our kids	

#### Waitara Public School

Name: Withhe	eld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
	,	uld have a direct bus from our suburb directly to in getting our children to and from school safely

and in a timely manner.

#### Waitara Public School

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Withheld	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
Please improve !!!	

# Waitara Public School

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
I strongly request the transport authorities to consider and implement these changes for our kids		

I strongly request the transport authorities to consider and implement these changes for our kids. This will encourage public transport usage and significantly reduce overall travel times...

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
Add extra bus routines from hornsby to st ives		

# Waitara Public School

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Withheld	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
Waitara to st lves high school bus	

## Waitara Public School

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
This is my two kids future high school!		

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Withheld	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
We'd like to have a direct bus from Hornsby to St. Ives High School.	

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Withheld	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
Direct bus	

# Waitara Public School

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Withheld	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School: We would be eager to see the suggested changes enacted, particularly those concerning bus routes.	

# Waitara Public School

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
l support		

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Hornsby		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
need bus between Hornsby and St Ives high school		

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
Students should have easy transport options. Buses originating from Waitara, mount colah , asquith, mount kurangrai stations		

## Waitara Public School

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Withheld	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
It is so hard to get to There should be a dedicated buses like they have to Ku-ring-Gai High School	

It is so hard to get to. There should be a dedicated buses like they have to Ku-ring-Gai High School running from Hornsby picking up from opposite Waitara Public School which is one of the feeder schools to St Ives.

## Waitara Public School

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
Very poor connectivity currently!!!! Need massively increased for the working class kids who puts their bits to keep the economy moving !!!		

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
Since we are in its catchment, we believe there should be a school bus in hornsby		

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
I fully support direct bus service bwtween St Ives high school and the northern catchment areas		

# Waitara Public School

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Withheld	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
Please more bus route between Hornsby to St Ives!	

## Waitara Public School

Name: Withheld	Email: Withheld	
My Suburb: Withheld		
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:		
More bus from St Ives to Hornsby		

## Waitara Public School

Name Withheld	Email: Withheld
My Suburb: Withheld	
My Comments Regarding the Need for Improved Student Transport to St Ives High School:	
We need more direct public transport services, or at least more frequent and integrated bus & train services to and from St Ives High School.	

## END OF WAITARA PUBLIC SCHOOL COMMENTS

WahroonghaPublic School

One family affiliated with Wahroongha Public School signed our petition for improved student transport to St Ives High School.No comment was provided.

END OF SIGNATORIES FOR WAHROONGHA PUBLIC SCHOOL

Wideview Public School

Two families affiliated with Wideview Public School signed our petition for improved student transport to St Ives High School.No comments wer provided

# END OF WIDEVIEW PUBLIC SCHOOL SIGNATORIES

# **NO COMMENTS**

# What are the specific travel service issues we need to address?

## **Before School Travel**

In the morning, <u>school buses</u> commence at 8:20am from Gordon Station with services departing Gordon at 8:20, 8:25, 8:35, 8:39 for St Ives High School. The 8:39am bus arrives at 8:47 (if there are no delays) giving students 3 minutes to get to class or be recorded as late.

To get to morning extra-curricular activities, such as band rehearsals or boot camp at 7:30am, there is a <u>582 bus</u> departing Gordon Station 7:07 (arriving 7:11) then no bus for 34 minutes until 7:41 arriving 7:45 am, missing the first 15-20 minutes of the activity. A student from Mt Kuring-Gai would have to catch the 6:36am train to then get the 7:07am bus to school.

The only direct bus service between Hornsby Station and St Ives High School (<u>route 594H</u>) was **cancelled** a year ago. It left Hornsby at 7:04am and 7:24am taking approximately 25 minutes to St Ives High.

The closest remaining bus route from Hornsby to St Ives High via Waitara is the 591 bus between Hornsby Station and St Ives which terminates at St Ives Shops, from there it is a 2km 25 minute walk to St Ives High. For many students it is not possible to get to music program rehearsals (or other extracurricular before school activities) on time by public transport since the direct bus was cancelled.

## **After School Travel**

In the afternoon, students who live beyond Hornsby Station need to get the 15:45 train from Gordon or face a 30 minute wait. Some but not all students receive priority boarding on the school buses: 9046 (15:22 arrives Gordon 15:28), 9005 (15:26 arrives 15:33), 9005 (15:30 arrives 15:37), 9078 (15:40 arrives 15:48) and 9084 (15:50 arriving 16:00) after which there is a public 582 bus that runs every half an hour or so to Gordon Station.

The first bus from St Ives High to Gordon Station originates at Killara High School (and this is way it is often referred to as a 'shared' bus service). When this service is late getting to St Ives High, many students miss the 3:45 pm train from Gordon, and there is **a half-hour wait** for the next train servicing stations beyond Hornsby.