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Dear Parents and Carers

As your new Principal, it gives me great pleasure to welcome you all back to St John's and to the start of what will be a very positive 2019.

Some of you may be aware that there was an incident at the end of the recent ski trip which arrived back last week. On the return journey a man stowed himself away and emerged from the luggage hold once the bus arrived at St John's. Mr Nicholls and his team managed the situation extremely professionally and the police were understandably involved. There were no unpleasant scenes and the students and staff were all safe, with the police arriving within minutes.

As you would expect, we are addressing this situation with the bus company and are seeking assurances with regard to their procedures. The way the students and staff dealt with the situation so calmly gives me great confidence in the school and the way it approaches student safety and wellbeing.

There may well be some interest in this story from the press and clearly this event is indicative of a wider, global issue. Please be assured that the matter is being dealt with by the appropriate authorities.

Kind regards

Ian Tucker  
**Principal**

