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MY 17-year-old son took bus service 198 on Friday, Aug 10, and arrived at the Bukit Merah Central terminal past midnight.

After he alighted, he realised that he had left his MacBook laptop on the bus.

When he got home, my wife tried to call the SBS hotline, but there was no response.

She took a cab to Bukit Merah Central terminal with my son, but there was no one there.

Just then, a bus arrived and the driver told them that all buses head to a depot in Bukit Batok after the last trip.

So my wife and son took another cab to Bukit Batok.

When they got there, my son was

relieved to see his orange slipcase sitting in the depot office.

His MacBook was returned to him after he had answered a few questions and his login password was verified.

The bus captain, Mr Muniappan Kandasamy, was there. He had handed the laptop in at the office after discovering it on a seat while making his routine rounds in the bus after work.

On behalf of my family, I would like to express my deepest appreciation to him for his honesty.

He is an example to hold up among our always-underrated employees of the public transport sector.

We also thank the cab driver who made sure my wife and son got to the bus depot fast.

- Philip Tan Kay Chew