

School Bus Service - The 12 most Frequently asked Questions

What are the routes?

Routes cover several parts of London; these are the postcodes / areas currently covered.

NW1	Regents Park / Primrose Hill	W1	Marylebone Rd / Baker St.	N1	Islington
NW2	Cricklewood/ Willesden	W2	Paddington / Bayswater	N5	Highbury
NW3	Hampstead/Belsize/Swiss Cottage	W8	Kensington	N7	Holloway
NW6	Kilburn / Queens Park	W10	North Kensington	N16	Stoke Newington
NW8	St. Johns Wood	W11	Notting Hill / Ladbroke Grove	N19	Upper Holloway/ Archway
NW11	Golders Green/Hampstead. Garden Suburb				

We Also provide services from parts of Gospel Oak, Finsbury Park & Manor House

Would you provide a service to an area currently not listed above?

Yes: Subject to demand and viability.

Who can use a School Bus?

All pupils who attend Highgate Senior or Junior Schools. (Currently unavailable for Pre-prep pupils)

Who runs and manages the buses and is there a fee?

The service is provided by Highgate approved & accredited coach companies. It is monitored & managed by the Transport Manager at Highgate School. The bus is designed as a “cost Neutral” service, where all the coach companies’ costs are collated and equally divided between all the passengers to calculate a fee.

How much is the fee?

The current fee equates to £12.25 per pupil/day.

Can my child use the bus on specific days or just “one way”?

The fee is for a “return” fare for every School Day. Pupils therefore have a reserved seat for each journey.

How is the fee paid?

The fees are on a “term-by-term” basis, paid to Highgate but separate to School fees.

Where do the buses stop to pick-up/drop off in the mornings and afternoons?

We use pre-selected TfL bus stops convenient to a pupil’s place of residence. For the afternoons, Junior pupils are escorted to their respective buses. Senior pupils board the buses, directly outside the Charter building.

How do I know where my bus is?

Parents / Carers are provided access to “live track” buses using an app or PC.

Do the buses have seat belts?

Yes, all companies provide modern, Euro VI compliant coaches fitted with 3-point seat belts and internal cameras.

Are there additional buses for those that attend after School clubs and activities?

Currently we are unable provide buses to align with after School clubs and activities

How do I apply to use the Highgate School bus?

All new starters at Highgate for the academic year 2024/5 will be sent an email during May of 2024 with a form to register their interest for Michaelmas Term 2024. This email is also sent to parents/carers of those moving up from the pre-prep to Junior School.

If you have any question or require any additional information, please contact our Transport Office:

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