



July 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to provide you with details of the charges for using the school bus from 27<sup>th</sup> August 2024.

The school will be running a bus service again in the coming school year but unfortunately, we are in a situation where we have to increase the price to £2.50 a journey (£5 a day). We will again be running a system where travel must be paid for in advance, via the online payment system.

Students will have unlimited use of the bus during the period their pass is valid and will be able to use the morning and afternoon service. I must also remind you that we no longer offer a daily or single trip ticket and the cost for using the bus is £25 per week. This covers any and all journeys on the bus.

Students will be issued with a bus pass and they will be required to show this to the driver for every journey. Students who do not have a valid pass will not be eligible to use the school bus and will therefore be refused access to the service.

All students will be required to sign a code of conduct agreement before using the bus service. If your child is currently using the bus service they will need to complete a new code of conduct agreement for the new academic year.

Below is a breakdown of the costs for the coming academic year:

### Termly Prices:

Autumn 24/25: Tues 27/08/24 to Fri 20/12/24, 78 days @ £5 per day = £390.00

Spring 24/25: Tues 07/01/25 to Fri 11/04/25, 64 days @ £5 per day = £320.00

Summer 24/25: Mon 28/04/24 to Thurs 10/07/25, 48 days @ £5 per day = £240.00

### Half Termly Prices

Autumn 1: Tues 27/08/24 to Fri 18/10/24, 39 days @ £5 per day = £195.00

Autumn 2: Mon 28/10/24 to Fri 20/12/24 (excluding 29/11/24), 39 days @ £5 per day = £195.00

Spring 1: Tue 07/01/25 to Fri 14/02/25, 29 days @ £5 per day = £145.00

Spring 2: Mon 24/02/25 to Fri 11/04/25, 35 days @ £5 per day = £175.00

Summer 1: Mon 28/04/25 to Fri 23/05/25 (excluding 05/05/25) 19 days @ £5 per day = £95.00

Summer 2: Mon 03/06/25 to Thurs 10/07/25, 29 days @ £5 per day = £145.00

Weekly Price:

£25.00 per 5 day week

£20.00 per 4 day week, there are 5 of these throughout the year, w/c Tue 27/08/24, 25/11/24, 06/01/25, 05/05/25 + 07/07/24. Unfortunately, due to the way the payment system works all weeks will be charged at the full week rate and then refunds applied to your child's account.

**A reminder all payments for the new term must be made by 3pm on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> August 2024.**

**Passes paid for after this time will not be available for the first day back after the Summer holidays.**

**Current Bus Route**

| <b>Pick Up Point</b> | <b>Location</b>  | <b>Time</b> |
|----------------------|--|-------------|
| 1                    | Bus Stop on corner of Saffron Lane and Shakespeare Street.         | 07.40       |
| 2                    | Grace Road Bottom just before Aylestone Road                       | 07.43       |
| 3                    | 1 <sup>st</sup> Bus Stop just inside Duncan Road of Aylestone Road | 07.45       |
| 4                    | Saffron lane Bus Stop just after The Fairway                       | 07.48       |
| 5                    | Saffron Lane Bus Stop just before Saffron Way                      | 07.50       |
| 6                    | Saffron Lane Bus Stop just after Broughton Road                    | 07.52       |
| 7                    | Wigston Lane Holywell Road Corner                                  | 07.58       |
| 8                    | Lutterworth Road Bus Stop Nr Post Box                              | 08.00       |
| 9                    | Bus Stop Sturdee Road The Green                                    | 08.04       |
| 10                   | Bus Stop Sturdee Road Opp Garnett Crescent                         | 08.06       |
| 11                   | Southfield Drive Asquith Drive Bus Stop Opp Premier store          | 08.11       |
| 12                   | Bus Stop Welford Road Opp Shell Garage                             | 08.16       |
|                      |  |             |
|                      | Drop of Wigston Academy  | 08.25       |

**All Pick ups are at Bus Stops for students safety, other than Grace Road and Wigston Lane Holywell Road.**

**Please advise children to arrive at stops 5 mintues before.**

Yours faithfully,



Mr C Tongue  
Assistant Headteacher



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## Bus Code of Conduct

This agreement is between:

..... (student) .....(Parent or Carer),  
G H Watts (Bus Operator) and Wigston Academy.

The parent/guardian and the student should ensure that they have read and understood this document, which is to be adhered to for the safety of the Bus Driver and all the students travelling on the bus.

I .....(student) agree to abide by the behavioural expectations described below:

- I understand that in order to use the bus, I will need to show my bus pass.
- While waiting to be signed in and allowed on the bus, I will abide by all normal school rules.
- When I am a seated passenger, I will remain in my seat, wearing my seat belt (if available) facing forward, for the entirety of my journey.
- I will not eat on the bus or throw anything inside or outside of the bus.
- I will respect other students and their property at all times, (this includes pushing, verbal or physical abuse, or any other behaviour that may distract the driver).
- I will use socially acceptable language when talking with the driver and or other students and I will not speak loudly as this may distract the driver.
- I will respect the property of the Bus Operator at all times (e.g. not standing on seats or vandalising the vehicle in any way).
- I will not behave in any way that could put the driver or other students at risk. Students must remain seated and face in the direction of the seat.
- I will follow the requirements and instructions of the Bus Driver and the Staff responsible for bus duty at all times.
- I will understand that any damage I cause to the bus will result in my parent/guardian being billed for the cost of repairs.

**All travel must be paid in advance; travel will be refused to students who do not have a valid pass.**

The safety and comfort of everyone on the bus depends on a standard of behaviour and consideration for others that is expected in the classroom. We hope that parents/guardians will support the school in maintaining these standards of behaviour.

## **If this Code of Conduct is broken**

Sanctions will be put in place in line with the School Behaviour Policy. Ultimately the student could lose the privilege of travelling on the school bus should they not follow the expectations listed above.

I agree to abide by the conditions of this contract and understand the consequences, including but not limited to, the right to refuse travel if I do not hold a valid pass.

Signed.....(student)

Signed.....(parent/carer)

Date.....