



The Abbey

# TRANSPORT GUIDE

— 2023 - 2024 —

# WELCOME

Dear Parents / Guardians,

Thank you for taking the time to look at The Abbey School bus service for the 2023-2024 academic year. This sets out the wide range of travel options available to the pupils at The Abbey School.

From September 2023, The Abbey School have appointed Vectare, a specialist school transport management company, to manage the school bus service. Vectare are responsible for over 2 million independent school journeys per annum. Vectare will manage all aspects of the school's service, and any enquiries can be directed to their team at [theabbey@vectare.co.uk](mailto:theabbey@vectare.co.uk).

All bookings for school bus routes are made via our online booking system, which can be viewed at [theabbey.vectare.co.uk](https://theabbey.vectare.co.uk). This means that you no longer need to complete any paper forms. Payment for the service is made at the time of booking and your child's name will automatically be added to the register. The website also incorporates an interactive journey planner which allows you to enter your postcode and find your closest bus stop.

This guide provides an overview of the school bus service network and contains further details including fare and timetable information.

All bookings for all routes can be made via the dedicated transport website. The website allows you to book travel 24/7 from anywhere in the world, meaning that if you need to leave early for work one morning or you are running late and you would like your child to travel on a school bus as a one off, you can make a booking right up until the bus is due to depart.

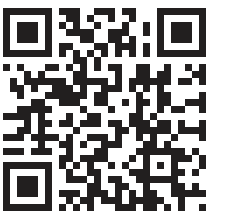
The late services are also on the website, and should you need to change onto it at the last minute, you can also make this change quickly and easily.

Other amendments and changes can also be made via the 'my account' section of the website.

If you need any further assistance, or you would like to discuss travel options from areas not currently served by our network, please contact us via the bookings website and we will be pleased to assist. I would like to take this opportunity to wish your child a pleasant and successful academic year ahead.

Yours sincerely,

Nadine Doble  
Head of Finance & Resources



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to make a booking!



# ROUTE MAP

Bracknell Route

Chineham Route

Henley-on-Thames Route

Hook / Fleet Route

Maidenhead Route

Pangbourne Route

Sandhurst Route

Windsor Route

National Rail Line / Station

Bus stop

Late Bus Routes:

Caversham / Henley Late

Cookham / Marlow Late

Hartley Wintney Late

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# TIMETABLE

Bracknell Route			
Zones	Stops	AM	PM
B	Bracknell - Bay Road, bus stop after junction Deepfield Road	07:18	16:55
B	Martins Heron - Bus stop, adjacent Allsmoor Lane	07:20	16:52
B	Chavey Down Road	07:25	16:47
B	Carnation Drive	07:26	16:46
B	Binfield - bus stop opposite Memorial Hall, Terrace Road South	07:36	16:36
B	Wokingham - London Road, Three Frogs PH, bus stop	07:42	16:29
B	Wokingham - Broad Street, outside Post Office	07:45	16:26
B	Emmbrook - Reading Road, opposite Rifle Volunteer PH, bus stop	07:48	16:23
A	Winnersh - Reading Road, Sainsbury's bus stop	07:58	16:20
A	Winnersh - Reading Road, Bearwood Path bus stop	08:02	16:17
A	Earley - Wokingham Road, bus stop opposite junction Station Road	08:07	16:12
A	Reading - Wokingham Road, bus stop after junction Melrose Avenue (AM Only)	08:10	-
-	The Abbey Senior School, Kendrick Road	08:30	15:55
-	The Abbey Junior School, Vicarage Road	08:35	16:00

Chineham Route			
Zones	Stops	AM	PM
B	Sherfield Park- bus stop on Gaiger Avenue, Hambledon bus stop	07:10	17:05
B	Sherfield-on-Loddon - bus stop outside Post Office, just off A33	07:13	17:01
B	Bramley Green- Sherfield Road, bus stop after rdbt junction Campbell Road	07:15	17:00
B	Bramley- Sherfield Road, bus stop after junction Marguerite Close (PM Only)	-	16:59
B	Elm Park Garden Centre	07:28	16:52
B	Bishopswood Lane	07:35	16:47
B	Padworth Common- Baughurst Road, May's Lane Bus Stop	07:45	16:37
B	Mortimer- Welshman's Road/Chapel Road, Ramptons bus stop	07:46	16:36
B	Mortimer- West End Road, Turner's Arms PH, bus stop	07:47	16:35
B	Mortimer- Victoria Road, Layby after junction Stephen's Road	07:53	16:31
B	Burghfield Village- Reading Road, junction Three Firs Way, after mini rdbt	07:56	16:24
B	Burghfield Village- Reading Road, bus stop after Hollybush Lane Crossroads	07:57	16:23
B	Burghfield Village- Reading Road, Waring's Bakery (just past car garage)	08:03	16:23
B	Burghfield- Reading Road, Hatch Gate PH, bus stop	08:05	16:22
A	Burghfield Bridge- Reading Road, Cunning Man PH, bus stop (AM), junction Burghfield Bridge Close (PM)	08:05	16:22
A	Bath Road	08:20	16:05
-	The Abbey Senior School, Kendrick Road	08:30	15:55
-	The Abbey Junior School, Vicarage Road	08:35	16:00

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Henley-on-Thames Route			
Zones	Stops	AM	PM
B	St Andrew's Road, bus stop after junction Green Lane	07:30	16:43
B	Greys Road Shops	07:32	16:41
B	Albert Road	07:36	16:38
B	St Marks Road	07:39	16:36
B	Niagara Road	07:41	16:34
B	AFC Henley Football Club	07:42	16:33
B	Station Road, Lower Shiplake	07:45	16:30
B	Mill Lane	07:47	16:28
B	Heathfield Close	07:50	16:25
A	Emmer Green - Buckingham Drive, bus stop opposite The Pond	07:57	16:18
A	Hemdean Road, Junction Rotherfield Way	08:00	16:15
A	Hemdean Road Victoria Road bus stop (opposite Caversham Primary)	08:01	16:14
A	Godbrook Road, bus stop outside flats	08:05	16:10
-	The Abbey Senior School, Kendrick Road	08:15	15:55
-	The Abbey Junior School, Vicarage Road	08:20	16:00

Hook / Fleet Route			
Zones	Stops	AM	PM
B	Elvetham Road	07:15	16:58
B	Pale Lane Farm	07:20	16:55
B	Hook House Farm	07:30	16:45
B	The Mill House, Swallowfield	07:48	16:27
B	Bus stop opposite Warings Bakery, Basingstoke Road, Spencers Wood	07:50	16:25
B	Hyde End Road, Spencers Wood	07:52	16:23
A	School Green	07:57	16:18
A	Hollow Lane - before the Black Boy Pub, Shinfield Road, opposite Cutbush Lane, Shinfield	07:58	16:17
A	Ducketts Farm	08:00	16:15
-	The Abbey Senior School, Kendrick Road	08:15	15:55
-	The Abbey Junior School, Vicarage Road	08:20	16:00

Maidenhead Route			
Zones	Stops	AM	PM
B	Maidenhead - Bray Road, bus stop before Chiltern Road	07:15	17:00
B	Maidenhead - A4, junction Ray Park Avenue	07:19	16:55
B	Maidenhead - Ray Mead Road, junction Grosvenor Drive	07:20	16:54
B	Maidenhead - Lower Cookham Road, Boulters Lock bus stop	07:23	16:51
B	Cookham - Kings Arms PH, High Street	07:28	16:46
B	Cookham - Railway Station	07:30	16:44
B	Cookham - Lower Road, Junction Bradcutts Lane	07:32	16:43
B	Maidenhead - A308, Esso Service Station	07:39	16:36
B	Maidenhead - A308, Gringer Hill, bus stop after junction Belmont Road	07:41	16:34
B	Maidenhead - A4, bus stop just before junction Cannon Lane	07:48	16:27
B	Littlewick Green - A4, Frogmore Farm bus stop, just after Burchetts Green rdbt	07:51	16:24
B	Charvil - A4, Park View bus stop layby	07:58	16:17
A	Sonning - A4, Pound Lane bus stop layby	08:00	16:15
-	The Abbey Senior School, Kendrick Road	08:15	15:55
-	The Abbey Junior School, Vicarage Road	08:20	16:00

Pangbourne Route			
Zones	Stops	AM	PM
B	Station Road / Bentley Garage, Pangbourne	07:26	16:49
B	Pangbourne Primary School, Reading Road, Pangbourne	07:28	16:47
A	Oxford Road junction with Purley Lane	07:30	16:45
A	Theobald Drive	07:32	16:43
A	Derwent Avenue	07:35	16:40
A	Murdochs	07:45	16:30
A	Greenwood Road	07:55	16:20
A	Park Grove	08:00	16:15
-	The Abbey Senior School, Kendrick Road	08:15	15:55
-	The Abbey Junior School, Vicarage Road	08:20	16:00



Sandhurst Route				
Zones		Stops	AM	PM
B		Lower Church Road	07:18	16:57
B		Yateley Shops	07:20	16:55
B		The Chequers PH	07:24	16:51
B		The White Hart PH	07:27	16:48
B		Finchampstead Village	07:30	16:45
B		New Wokingham Road	07:37	16:38
B		Nine Mile Ride	07:44	16:31
B		Finchampstead- Finchampstead Road, California Ratepayers Hall	07:45	16:30
B		Barkham Ride	07:48	16:27
B		The Bull	07:50	16:25
A		Mole Road - Mayfields	07:55	16:20
-		The Abbey Senior School, Kendrick Road	08:15	15:55
-		The Abbey Junior School, Vicarage Road	08:20	16:00

Windsor Route				
Zones		Stops	AM	PM
B		Windsor - Clarence Road, bus stop after junction Vansittart Road	07:16	16:55
B		Windsor - Windsor Road, bus stop before junc Holyport Road	07:26	16:45
B		Stroud Farm Corner	07:29	16:42
B		Waltham Road	07:39	16:32
B		The Bell Inn, Waltham St Lawrence, Reading	07:41	16:30
B		Orchard Estate, Twyford	07:52	16:23
B		Bridge House of Twyford	07:55	16:20
-		The Abbey Senior School, Kendrick Road	08:15	15:55
-		The Abbey Junior School, Vicarage Road	08:20	16:00




# LATE BUS TIMETABLE

Caversham / Henley Late		
Zones	Stops	PM
B	Bell Street, Henley-on-Thames	19:05
B	St Marks Road	19:01
B	Waterman's Allotments, Henley	18:59
B	Mill Lane Bus Stop, Shiplake	18:56
A	Play Hatch Garden Centre	18:51
A	Peppard Road Shops Stop	18:46
A	Woodcote Road, Harrogate Road Bus Stop	18:40
A	Bridge Street Caversham	18:20
A	Reading Blue Coat School	18:00
-	The Abbey School	17:45

Please note: Timings for this route are under review in the first few weeks of term subject to traffic. It is our aim to reduce the overall journey time.

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Hartley Wintney Late		
Zones	Stops	PM
B	Hartley Wintney, High Street, bus layby after junction A323	18:50
B	Eversley, Reading Road, Frog & Wicket PH	18:40
B	Pine Drive, Finchampstead Road	18:33
B	Finchampstead, Finchampstead Road, junction Evendons Lane	18:29
B	Wokingham, Wellington Road, junction Earle Crescent	18:24
B	Wokingham, Shute End bus stop	18:20
B	Emmbrook, Reading Road, Rifle Volunteer PH	18:18
A	Winnersh Crossroads, Reading Road, Sainsbury's bus stop	18:15
A	Winnersh, Reading Road, Wickes DIY	18:12
A	Reading Blue Coat School	18:00
-	The Abbey School	17:45

Cookham / Marlow Late		
Zones	Stops	PM
B	Marlow, Little Marlow Road	18:46
B	Bourne End, Railway Station	18:40
B	Cookham Village, Sutton Road, junction School lane	18:35
B	Maidenhead, A4, bus layby outside former Magnet leisure centre	18:23
B	Maidenhead, A4, Windsor Castle PH, top of Castle Hill	18:20
B	Maidenhead Thicket, A4, junction Newlands Drive, bus layby	18:17
B	Littlewick Green, A4, bus stop opposite Riders Hotel	18:14
B	Knowl Hill, A4, Village Hall, bus Layby	18:13
B	Wargrave, A4, Carlisle Corner roundabout, bus layby	18:08
B	Charvil, A4, Park View bus stop layby	18:07
A	Reading Blue Coat School	18:00
-	The Abbey School	17:45

Please note: A late bus towards Beaconsfield will run subject to demand in the forthcoming years.

# FARES

Autumn Term		
	One Way	Return
Zone A	£320.52	£406.00
Zone B	£517.11	£679.51
Spring Term		
	One Way	Return
Zone A	£241.63	£306.06
Zone B	£389.82	£512.25
Summer Term		
	One Way	Return
Zone A	£261.35	£331.04
Zone B	£421.65	£554.06
Ad-hoc		
Zone A	£8.70	
Zone B	£14.49	

Please note: Sibling discounts are available at 25% for the first sibling and 50% for the 3rd and any other siblings.

# TERMS & CONDITIONS

1. This agreement is made between all School bus passengers, their parents and The Abbey School in order to provide safe, comfortable and civilised journeys for all passengers.

2. Arrangements for pupils’ journeys to and from School are the responsibility of their parents. To assist with discharging this responsibility, The Abbey provides a School bus service.

3. Transport on the School bus service must be arranged in advance for via the online booking platform.

4. Bookings on the School bus service are non-refundable in the event of a pupil failing to travel.

5. Bookings are to be made online via [theabbey.vectare.co.uk](https://theabbey.vectare.co.uk).

6. Each pupil for whom an online form has been submitted will be added to a bus list detailing the service they travel on, their bus stop and what travel has been paid for via the School bill. Their name will appear on a list which will be checked by the driver.

7. It will be the parents’ responsibility to inform the School via the ‘Contact Us’ form on the website if they no longer wish to use the School bus service. A full term’s notice must be given by a parent prior to the removal of a pupil from the School Bus Service.

8. If you wish to use the School bus service on an ad hoc basis, or to vary the details of their bus travel as a one-off, you should book travel via the website prior to travel. A charge is levied for individual trips depending on location.

9. No pupil is permitted to travel on the School bus service if not pre-booked for that bus. Other arrangements for journeys to and from School must be made by them or their parents.
10. Pupils must travel to and from The Abbey in full School uniform or a full School PE kit (except on approved non-uniform days).

11. Pupils should be at the bus stop five minutes before the scheduled time of departure to ensure they don’t miss the service. In the evening, parents should be at the bus stop five minutes before the scheduled time of arrival to collect a passenger.

12. Good conduct is required at all times. Bullying, shouting, use of foul language, dropping litter, playing music, or any other misbehaviour is strictly forbidden.

13. Except when embarking or disembarking, all passengers must remain seated with their seatbelts fastened correctly.

14. Whilst on a School bus, all passengers must accept without question the authority of a transport company official or an Abbey staff member who may ask them to obey any reasonable instruction such as to pick up litter, desist from certain actions or to move to a different seat.

15. Failure to comply with these conditions may result in disciplinary action, including temporary or permanent withdrawal of permission to use the School bus service.

16. The Abbey aims for 95% of journeys to operate within the transport industry window of tolerance of one minute early to five minutes late, however timings may vary due to traffic conditions or unforeseen circumstances. Drivers will not wait past the scheduled departure time.





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