

TRAVEL GUIDE



Transport to and from the School is an important issue for our parents/guardians and pupils, the majority of whom live more than 5km away. We have taken a proactive approach in this area and are committed to providing sustainable travel, offering parents/guardians and pupils a range of transport options.

Please contact the bus companies directly to book your seat.

Please note that girls should arrive at bus stops at least 5 minutes prior to the pick up time stated. All timings are dependent on traffic conditions.

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TRAVEL TO WGS



SCHOOL SERVICES:



FINGLANDS
CITY CENTRE SHUTTLE



FINGLANDS
WHITEFIELD, PRESTWICH



BULLOCKS
158 DAVENPORT, BRAMHALL, CHEADLE HULME,
CHEADLE (SCHOOLS HILL), EAST DIDSBURY



ROY MCCARTHY COACHES
COACH 2: MACCLESFIELD, PRESTBURY, ALDERLEY EDGE
COACH 3: WILMSLOW, HANDFORTH



BULLOCKS
KNUTSFORD



BULLOCKS
141, 241 BOWDON, HALE, HALE BARNS



MAYNE (GO GOODWINS)
WARRINGTON, GRAPPENHALL, LYMM,
THELWALL & LITTLE BOLLINGTON



SWANS TRAVEL
WORSLEY

PUBLIC SERVICES USED BY PUPILS:



STAGECOACH
42, 179 PUBLIC SERVICE STOCKPORT, HEATON MOOR



FIRST, MAGIC, STAGECOACH
42, 142 PUBLIC SERVICE EAST & WEST DIDSBURY

MAYNE (GO GOODWINS) CONTACT: 01925 232300

WARRINGTON		MON-FRI
07:00	Bupa, Tarporley Road	17:14
07:03	Owens Corner, London Road	17:11
07:05	Golf Club, London Road	17:09
07:07	Lyons Lane, London Road	17:07
07:09	London Bridge, London Road	17:05
07:11	Sandy Lane, Grappenhall Road	17:03
07:14	Lime Tree Avenue, Ackers Road	17:00
07:15	Cantilever, Ackers Road	16:59
07:17	Hill Top Road, Hunts Lane	16:57
07:20	Pilling Gardens, Higher Knutsford Road	16:55
07:23	Dog & Dart, Knutsford Road	16:54
07:28	All Saints Drive, Stockport Road	16:49
07:30	Bell Lane, Stockport Road	16:47
07:33	Thelwall Bridge, Stockport Road	16:44
07:36	Barsbank Lane, Booths Hill Road	16:41
07:39	Lymm Church, Church Road	16:38
07:43	The Wheatsheaf	16:34
07:47	Spodgreen Lane, Lymm Road	16:30
08:20	Manchester Grammar School	16:10
08:25	Manchester High School for Girls	16:05
08:30	Withington Girls' School	15:55

BULLOCKS Contact: 0161 428 5265

158 - DAVENPORT, BRAMHALL, CHEADLE HULME, CHEADLE, E DIDSBUY		MON-FRI
07:15	Davenport Station - Bus stop on Bramhall Lane South	16:42
07:25	Bramhall - Bridge Lane Roundabout	16:37
07:33	Bramhall - Ack Lane	16:27
07:38	Cheadle Hulme - Station Road	16:24
07:50	Cheadle - Schools Hill	16:16
08:05	East Didsbury (Parrs Wood)	16:10
08:20	Withington Girls' School (drop off Wellington Rd, pick up Victoria Rd)	16:00
08:30	Manchester High School for Girls	15.55

141 - BOWDON, HALE, HALE BARNS		MON-FRI
07:00	Timperley - Hare & Hounds	17:10
07:00	Altrincham - Cresta Court Hotel	16:58
07:10	Bowdon - St Margaret's	16:50
07:15	Bowdon - Park Rd / Barry Rise	16:45
07:25	Hale - Ashley Road / Cambridge Road	16:35
07:38	Hale Barns - Hale Road / Brooks Drive	16:25
07:53	Northenden - Airport Hotel	16:15
====	West Didsbury - Palatine Road	====
08:20	Withington Girls' School (drop off Wellington Rd, pick up Victoria Rd)	16:00

141/158 COMBINED LATE SERVICE - CHEADLE (JOHN LEWIS), HALE BARNS, ALTRINCHAM, TIMPERLEY		MON-THURS ONLY
	Withington Girls' School, Wellington Road	17:15
	Direct to John Lewis via Kingsway	17:30
	Direct to Hale Barns via Heald Green	17:45
	St Margaret's Church, Altrincham	18:05
	Service terminates at Hare & Hounds, Timperley	18:15

KNUTSFORD		MON-FRI
07:20	Arrive Knutsford Leisure Centre	
07:30	Depart Knutsford Leisure Centre	16:48-17:28
07:43	Mere, Mereside Road opposite Parkside Grange	16:35-17:05
07:48	Bucklow Hill near Swan Hotel	16:30-17:00
	Direct to schools	
08:25	Withington Girls' School, Victoria Road	15:55
08:30	Manchester High School for Girls	16:00
08:35	Manchester Grammar School	16:05

241 SUPERVISED SERVICE - BOWDON, HALE, HALE BARNES		MON-FRI
07:00	Timperley - Hare & Hounds	17:10
07:00	Altrincham - Cresta Court Hotel	16:58
07:10	Bowdon - St Margaret's	16:50
07:15	Bowdon - Park Rd / Barry Rise	16:45
07:25	Hale - Ashley Road / Cambridge Road	16:35
07:38	Hale Barnes - Hale Road / Brooks Drive	16:25
07:53	Northenden - Airport Hotel	16:15
08:03	West Didsbury - Palatine Road	16:10
08:20	Withington Girls' School (drop off Wellington Rd, pick up Victoria Rd)	16:00
08:30	Manchester High School for Girls	15:55

FINGLANDS Contact: 0161 224 3341

WHITEFIELD & BURY			MON-FRI
07:25	Bury New Road / Church Lane	WithingtonGirls'School,WellingtonRd	15.50
07:25	Ringley Road	Wilmslow Rd opposite Old Hall Lane	16.00
07:30	Park Lane	Bury New Rd /Great Cheetham Street	16.20
07:40	Bury New Road / Scholes Lane	Bury New Rd/Scholes Lane	16.25
07:45	Bury New Rd / Great Cheetham Street	Bury New Rd/Pinfold Lane	16.35
08:20	Wilmslow Rd opposite Old Hall Lane	Ringley Rd	16.40
08:25	WithingtonGirls' School,WellingtonRd	Park Lane	16.45
CITY CENTRE SHUTTLE			MON-FRI
1 ST MORNING SERVICE			
07:55	Victoria Station, lay-by opposite Hanover Street		
08:10	Piccadilly Station, Fairfield Street		
08:25	Manchester High School for Girls		
08:30	Withington Girls' School, Wellington Road		
2 ND MORNING SERVICE			
08:13	Victoria Station, lay-by opposite Hanover Street		
08:25	Piccadilly Station, Fairfield Street		
08:40	Manchester High School for Girls		
08:45	Withington Girls' School, Wellington Road		
1 ST AFTER SCHOOL SERVICE			
	Withington Girls' School, Wellington Road		15:50
	Manchester High School for Girls		16.00
	Oxford Road Station		16:15
	Piccadilly Station, Fairfield Street		16:25
	Victoria Station, lay-by opposite Hanover Street		16:40
2 ND AFTER SCHOOL SERVICE			
	Withington Girls' School, Wellington Road		17:15
	Manchester High School for Girls		17:20
	Oxford Road Station		====
	Piccadilly Station, Fairfield Street		17:45
	Victoria Station, lay-by opposite Hanover Street		18:00

We recommend that pupils aim to travel on the 1st Morning Service to ensure that they do not arrive late for Morning Registration.

ROY McCARTHY COACHES Contact: 01625 425060

MACCLESFIELD 2		MON-FRI	
		EARLYSERVICE	LATE SERVICE
07:12	Brocklehurst Arms	16.59	18:42
07:14	Heybridge Lane/Yew Tree Way	16.56	=====
07:19	Prestbury Church	16.53	18:32
07:20	Castlegate	16.51	=====
07:21	Withinlee Road	16.50	18:30
=====	Greendale lay-by	16.49	18:29
07:23	Bulls Head, Mottram	16.48	18:28
07:28	Hough Lane lay-by	16.43	18:19
07:30	Heyes Lane/Moss Road	16.39	18:14
07:33	Barrington House	16.38	18:12
07:35	Highams Garage	16.37	18:11
08:30	Withington Girls' School, Victoria Road	16:00	17:20*
08:40	Manchester High School for Girls	15:55	17:25

MACCLESFIELD 3		MON-FRI	
		EARLYSERVICE	LATE SERVICE
07:35	Kings Arms	16:40	18:07
07:38	Bank Square	=====	=====
=====	Wilmslow Leisure Centre	16:38	18:04
07:41	Styal Road Junction	16:36	18:01
07:43	Majestic Wine, Manchester Road	16:35	18:00
07:45	Handforth Library	16:32	17:58
07:47	Lakeland	16:28	17:57
08:30	Withington Girls' School, Victoria Road	16:00	17:20*
08:40	Manchester High School for Girls	15:55	17:25

*Late services depart from Wellington Road

The timings for the late bus are a guide only and may vary slightly depending on traffic etc.
Please note that the late bus is for pass holders only and no fare paying passengers will be admitted.

SWANS Contact: 0800 799 9423

WORSLEY	MORNING	MON-FRI
Newearth Road / East Lancs Road	07.05	17.20
Ellenbrook / Orchard Avenue	07.08	17.18
Leigh Road / Falconwood Chase	07.17	17.15
Worsley Court House on A572	07.25	17.10
Bridgewater School on Worsley Road	07.28	17.08
Broad oak Park Garden Centre Worsley Road	07.32	17.06
Folly Lane/Leigh Avenue	07.36	17.03
Monton Green	07.40	17.00
Half Edge Lane / Elm Bank	07.45	16.55
Eccles Gilda Brook / Bindloss Avenue	07.50	16.50
Manchester High School for Girls Toast Rack	08.30	16.05
Withington Girls' School, Wellington Road	08.40	15.55

PUBLIC SERVICES

ROUTE	NO.
Stockport - Heaton Moor - Stretford	25
Middleton - Higher Blackley - Bowker Vale - Didsbury - Sale	41
Piccadilly Gardens - Didsbury - Heaton Mersey - Stockport	42
Piccadilly Gardens - Heaton Chapel - North Reddish	42A
Piccadilly Gardens - Cheadle - Cheadle Hulme - Woodford	42B
Handforth Dean - Heald Green - Cheadle - Piccadilly Gardens	42C
Manchester Airport - Wythenshawe - Piccadilly Gardens	43
Piccadilly Gardens - Rusholme - Fallowfield - West Didsbury	143
East Didsbury - Fallowfield - Rusholme - Piccadilly Gardens	142
Ancoats - Rusholme - Fallowfield - West Didsbury	147
Metrolink: The nearest stop is Burton Road, a 15-minute walk away from the school. Trams on the East Didsbury line run every six minutes at peak times.	
Details on timetables/routes are available from Transport for Greater Manchester at www.tfgm.com	

LATE SERVICES

Late 158/141 Bus

Serving South Manchester, a late bus - combining the Bullocks services (158 and 141) - is run in partnership with Manchester High School for Girls, leaving School at 5.15pm, travelling from MHSG and along Kingsway, stopping at John Lewis and Cheadle before going onto Hale and Bowdon. This service runs Monday to Thursday and there is no additional charge for pupils holding a termly pass. Termly and 'Flexi' passes are available, along with single and day return tickets for ad hoc use.

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Roy McCarthy Coaches Late Bus

Roy McCarthy Coaches provide a well-established private coach service to Macclesfield, Prestbury, Alderley Edge and Handforth. A late service is available for all girls booked on this route - from Monday to Friday - at a small additional cost. This provides girls with the flexibility of either taking the coach home at the end of school or using the late service at 5.15pm when they have after-school activities. Please contact Roy McCarthy Coaches on 01625 425060 for further information.

City Centre Shuttle

The Shuttle Bus late service operates Monday to Friday at 5.15pm to fit in with after-school activities. Termly and 'Flexi' passes are available, along with single and day return tickets for ad hoc use.

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PAYMENT

All contracts and payments are made directly with the coach companies.

TRAVEL BY BICYCLE

A small number of pupils and a regular group of staff cycle to school each day. We are able to provide covered cycle storage and were fortunate to obtain a grant of matched funding from Sustrans providing additional storage.



TRAVEL BY CAR

A number of parents/guardians choose to drop their daughters off on their way to work in the morning and use a bus service in the afternoon. We are able to help parents/guardians who wish to car-share, either in the morning or the afternoon.

ROAD USAGE AROUND SCHOOL

Collection and drop-off points for school buses have been carefully planned to minimise inconvenience to local residents and to ensure the safety of our pupils. We would like to thank all parents/guardians for their cooperation in driving and parking safely and would be grateful for continued support in this regard.

“The 158 service is a reliable way of getting the children safely to school and back. The route suits us really well with handy bus stops and pick up near school.”

Parent of Y8 & Y10 pupils

“The Hale supervised bus service offers a reliable, convenient and safe way of getting to school. My daughter can catch up with friends and the supervision gives us the peace of mind that somebody is keeping a watchful eye on her!”

Parent of Y5 pupil

“The City Centre Shuttle service has ensured my daughter can participate in after school activities without any concern about how she will get home. She has expressed her satisfaction numerous times on the professionalism of the drivers and the extra care they take to ensure students are safe.”

Parent of Y7 pupil

“Over many years, we have found the travel service from Whitefield to school, friendly, completely reliable and extremely convenient in every way possible. Long may it continue.”

Parent of Y9 pupil

MORE INFORMATION

For any further enquiries please contact:

The Transport Coordinator, Ms Sara Kennedy
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