

RIPLEY BUSES 2017/2018

Pupils – Prepare for the Journey

Make sure you know where the bus stop is and practise walking there so you know how long it takes. Many buses drop you at school and collect you from there but it is also a good idea to learn your way round Lancaster. Travel to the bus station or nearest stop and learn how to walk up to school.

Make sure you are at the bus stop a few minutes early. Stand with the other Ripley pupils and make sure the driver can see your blue blazer.

Put your hand out to stop the bus – it won't stop automatically.

At the end of school listen to instructions carefully so you get on the right bus. If you miss the bus TELL SOMEONE.

Make a plan so you know what to do if you miss the bus. Will you for example?

- Ring parents for a lift
- Ring emergency contact for a lift
- Go to the main route bus stop to get another bus
- Go to the bus station

You must have your bus pass with you each day. If it is lost it costs £20 to replace. If you have no pass with you, you will need to pay. Try to carry some spare cash for emergencies.

For Parents – Behaviour

Pupils should behave in a safe, sensible and respectful way on the bus. Please impress on young people that they represent you and the school on their journey. Many buses have members of the public on them who take away an impression of the school because of pupils' behaviour on the buses. In particular they should always speak politely; they must stay sitting down and not throw anything or drop things out of windows. The Safer Travel Unit has the right to withdraw passes.

BUSES TO GARSTANG, PRESTON AND GREAT ECCLESTON

Due to the large numbers of pupils travelling from these areas we have three buses which leave school at 3.15pm. They are all Stagecoach operated. These buses travel down the A6. One terminates in Garstang, another goes through to Catterall. The third is a public service bus, the 42 to Blackpool, with members of the public on board. Behaviour on this bus needs to be impeccable.