

## SCHOOL TRANSPORT AGREEMENT – TERMS & CONDITIONS

This is an **annual** agreement and runs for the academic year – 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2021 – 20<sup>th</sup> July 2022.

1. **Payment must be received termly in advance or by monthly standing order. Bus passes will not be issued to pupils until the school has received the first payment.** There are a variety of ways to make payments, including standing order, cash, cheque and on-line through ParentMail.
2. The amounts due per term are below :-

Term	No of Days	Cost per day	Total per term
Autumn 2021	71	£3.80	£269.80
Spring 2022	62	£3.80	£235.60
Summer 2022	56	£3.80	£212.80

3. If you would like to pay by monthly Standing Order the amounts are £60.17/£54.15 per child/sibling for 12 months starting 1<sup>st</sup> August 2021. Payable to Hurworth School, Acc. 20986560 Sort Code 30-84-43. Please use your child's name as the reference.
4. Bus passes will be issued for the academic year only.
5. Valid bus passes must be carried and shown each day to the bus driver.
6. Only children with bus passes may travel on the route.
7. No refunds will be given for sickness, term-time holidays, exclusion's, or other absence from school.
8. All students must use the seatbelts provided and must not share seats.
9. Regular checks will be made to ensure that only authorised children are travelling.
10. All pupils are given guidelines of acceptable conduct on transport.
11. If your child is subject to a bus ban this agreement will be suspended and any payments will not be refunded.
12. If your child is subject to a permanent bus ban, this agreement will be terminated by the school and pro-rata payments refunded.
13. Proven misconduct will result in the school terminating this agreement, however in this instance a pro rata refund will be returned.

The scheme is managed by the school, and complaints or concerns should be addressed to Lisa Preston – Transport Co-ordinator.

## FAQ's School Transport – Academic Year 2021-22

### 1. How do I apply for a place on the school bus for my son or daughter?

On-line applications will be available from Monday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2021 to all parents of children at Hurworth in September 2021 that may require home to school transport, the on-line application form must be completed before 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021 to enable Hurworth School to deal with all applications.

<http://www.hurworthschool.org.uk/transport-application/>

### 2. Will the school bus be 'free'?

Darlington Borough Council has a duty to make the necessary travel arrangements for 'eligible children' under Section 508B of the Education Act 1996.

The Council will provide 'free' transport in the following circumstance

- To the nearest appropriate school which is more than 3 miles from the parental address
- To children entitled to free school meals or those families in receipt of the maximum working tax credit to:-
  - 1 of their 3 nearest schools which is more than 2 miles but less than 6 and/or
  - To the nearest suitable school on grounds of religion or belief which is more than 2 miles but less than 15.

### 3. If I don't qualify for 'free' transport can I still apply for a place?

Hurworth School has agreed to offer a limited number of additional places on existing routes. The spaces are limited and there is no guarantee that every child that applies will be allocated a place.

### 4. How much will the charge be?

Families will be charged £3.80 per day. If a family has more than one child that obtains a place on a bus, the eldest will be charged £3.80 then there will be a reduction of 10% (£3.42) for the first sibling.

### 5. Will there be a reduction for sickness absence, holiday absence, exclusion etc?

No.

### 6. What do I do if I no longer require the seat on the bus?

If a child no longer requires the seat on the coach the parent must inform Hurworth School of their decision and must return the pass to them in order that a refund can be calculated from the date of receipt of the pass itself.

### 7. How can payment be made?

1. Hurworth School will contact you to confirm that you have been successful in obtaining a fare-paying place. We offer parents a variety of ways to make payments, including standing order, cash, cheque and on-line via ParentMail. Passes will not be issued until payment has been received.
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**8. If I am successful in gaining a fare paying place will this be in place for the duration of my child's education?**

We will attempt to enable your child to access transport for the full five years of their secondary education. However, this cannot be guaranteed as circumstances may change at any time.

**Bus Routes 21/22**

**HUR1**

Parkside/Worton Drive Bus Stop  
Geneva Road/Post Office Bus Stop  
Geneva Road / East Cemetery Gates  
Geneva Road/Harris Street  
Burnside Road/Ingleby Moor Crescent  
Bardon Moor Road  
Brankin Road/Hildon Drive  
Brankin Road/Brankin Drive Bus Stop

**HUR2**

Middleton-St-George – High Stell  
Oaktree/Virginia Estate  
Middleton One Row - The Devonport Hotel Bus Stop  
Middleton Lane - Bus Stop outside Ropner Convalescent Home  
Middleton Lane - Outside Almora Hall  
Neasham Bus Stop

**HUR3**

Great Stainton - Bus stop next to the Kings Arms public House  
Bishopton - Bus Stop outside Talbot Public House  
Little Stainton Bus Stop  
The Buck Inn - Sadberge  
Middleton-St-George, Station Road  
Dinsdale Railway Station

**HUR4**

Bus Stop St. Georges Gate  
Platform 1 Public House  
Yarm Road MSG - Junction with Acorn Close  
Woolsington Drive - Turning Circle