

RIPLEY BUSES 2009/2010

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. The bus drops you at school and collects 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. **Remember – if you get to school, we promise to get you home.**

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 £15 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. 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 have the right to withdraw passes. The Safer Travel Unit also support our prefect system on the buses. Their leaflets are enclosed in this pack.

BUSES TO GARSTANG, PRESTON AND GREAT ECCLESTON

Due to the large numbers of pupils travelling from these areas we have two buses which leave school at 3.15pm. One travels to Bilsborrow (601) the other, will travel through Catterall, Churchtown and St. Michael's terminating at Great Eccleston (42). You will need to make sure you get on the correct bus. (This is a service bus and members of the public are also on board behaviour needs to be impeccable).

NON STATUTORY SCHOLAR PASSES

Unfortunately many pupils are not eligible for the free bus passes as they technically live nearer to another church school. Therefore we have negotiated a concessionary scholar pass with Stagecoach Commercial Manager.

To apply send your name, age, full address, boarding point with a cheque payable to Stagecoach North West Ltd to Commercial Office, Central Bus Station, Tithebarn Street, Preston, PR1 1YU. 01772 255752