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Dear Parent/Carer,

This is a reminder that bus passes for the academic year 24/25 are available to purchase. If you have already filled the bus pass form out and set up your payment please disregard this email. Thank you.

Annual bus passes for students who travel on one of the school operated services to Wallasey, Willaston, Neston, Parkgate, Ellesmere Port, Chester and North Wales areas are now available to purchase for the 2024-25 academic year.

Parents and carers are reminded that they must set up a new payment to purchase an annual bus pass each academic year.

It is important to note that the pass is an annual pass and that we do not refund the cost for anytime your child does not require transport between September and the end of July.

To guarantee a seat, the **deadline** for renewing your child's bus pass for 2024/25 and signing up to our direct debit payment scheme is **9:00am on Wednesday 10th July 2024**. After this date, we will continue to accept applications and will try to accommodate your preference if we can.

If you are unsure about your child returning to West Kirby Grammar School for Sixth Form, we would advise that you book your place on the bus, as they do fill up quickly. If they do not return for Sixth Form, any money paid will be refunded.

## **Cost and Payment Options**

You may pay for the pass in full or by 9 x monthly instalments. If you opt for instalments, the first payment will be taken when you sign up, with subsequent payments being taken on the 2nd September until the 2nd April 2025.

- A1 bus to Willaston, Neston and Parkgate areas (Cheshire) £860.00 or £95.56 per month for 9 instalments
- C3 bus to Wallasey £770.00 or £85.56 per month for 9 instalments
- W buses (stops 1 and 2 to St Asaph & Caerwys\*) £1,495.00 or £166.11 per month for 9 instalments
- W buses to Chester and Ellesmere Port areas (excluding St Asaph & Caerwys) £1,395.00 or £155.00 per month for 9 instalments

These transport services ensure the highest levels of passenger safety and value for money for parents. The schools do not aim to make a profit from providing these services.

## **Financial Support**







Financial support with travel to and from school is available for students who will be in Year 7 to 11 at West Kirby Grammar School and who meet the eligibility criteria for Deprivation Pupil Premium. This is funded by our Pupil Premium funding received from the Government based on students who have received Free School Meals in the last six years and eligibility is assessed each year. The amount of support is £600 per school year. If you wish to apply for financial support please complete this form Financial Support Form

Please then complete the Subsidised Bus Pass Application Form 2024-25

Support for sixth form students is provided by the 16-19 Bursary

## Purchase your bus pass

To apply for the pass and set up your payment, please complete this <u>Bus Pass Application Form</u> <u>2024/25</u>. To guarantee a seat, the deadline to apply for your child's bus pass for 2024/25 and signing up to a payment scheme is **9:00am on Wednesday 10th July 2024**. After this date, we will continue to accept applications and will try to accommodate your preference if we can.

**Important!** - When you have completed the form and clicked Submit, you will be directed to click on the appropriate link which takes you to the Calday School Shop. This will enable you to set up your preferred payment option for your chosen A1, C3 or W bus service/stop. Parents of students who will be travelling on the W buses will request a particular bus stop, from 01 to 13. This must be done by the deadline specified above to guarantee a pass for the stop selected. When we have received your first payment we will prepare your child's annual pass. You will receive the bus pass and a copy of the timetable, by post, before Friday 23rd August 2024. By purchasing a pass you are agreeing to the Terms and Conditions and the Code of Conduct which we have attached. We have also prepared a FAQ's sheet (also attached) which we hope will answer any questions you might have. These documents can also be found on the Calday school website at <u>calday.co.uk/travel</u> and you will receive a printed copy of these documents along with the timetable with your pass.

If you have any queries with these arrangements please contact Calday at <u>buspass@calday.co.uk</u>

Yours faithfully,

Andrew Eckford Director of Finance