

Summary

This booklet shows all home to school bus services as provided to schools within the Borough of Wigan.

Other booklets are available for schools across the other 9 districts of Greater Manchester and these can be found at tfgm.com/tickets-and-passes/bus-school-bus-services.

In addition to the services contained in this booklet, there is a network of general bus services which can also be used to get to and from school. Details of these can be found at tfgm.com/public-transport/bus/.

Services shown in this booklet operate only on the school days of the schools that the services operate for and will not operate during school holidays or on days when students are not in attendance. Some buses are shared between schools and in these instances, buses will operate on days that all relevant schools are in attendance unless marked on the timetable.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS/CARERS –

If you are using school bus information to choose your child's school, please be aware that these services are subject to change and may be withdrawn due to low use and/or a suitable public transport alternative. Any alternative may involve a journey of up to 90 minutes, use the general service network and a change of bus on route may be required.

The provision of direct school buses in the 2023/24 academic year does not indicate that these buses will be provided in future academic years and parents should consider carefully how their child may get to/from school if no school bus was provided.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR BUS FRANCHISING -

Please note that timetables for many school buses are split between two dates – from 4th September, and from 24th September. This is because bus franchising begins in stages, and school buses are split into different franchised packages with different start dates, with traditional school contracts covering the period up to 24th September. In most cases the particulars of bus services will remain the same, but please ensure you read the correct dated timetable when planning your school journey.

Operator Contact Details

The following operators operate bus services across Wigan, if you have any lost bag queries or complaints regarding the operation of the services then please contact the operators below in the first instance.

Operator Code	Operator	Contact Details	
MTL	Arriva Merseyside	73 Ormskirk Road, Aintree, Liverpool, L9 5AR	p 0344 800 4411
			w www.arrivabus.co.uk
			e customer.services@arrivanw.co.uk
			t @arrivanorthwest
DFC	Don Fraser Coaches	Greenacre, Holmeswood Road, Rufford, Ormskirk, L40 1TX	p 01704 821556
			w donfrasercoaches.co.uk
BDB	Diamond Bus	Diamond Bus North West, 186 Old Wellington Road, Eccles, M30 9QG	p TBC
			w www.diamondbuses.com/north-west
			e commentsdiamondbusnorthwest@rotala.co.uk
			t @DiamondBusNW
BGN	Go North West	Go North West, Lockett Road, Bryn, Wigan, WN4 8DE	TBC
HIL	Hiltons Travel	81 High Street, Newton-le-Willows, WA12 9SL	p 01925 221792
HWC	Holmeswood Coaches	Sandy Way, Holmeswood, Ormskirk, L40 1UB	P 01704 821245
			w www.holmeswoodcoaches.com
			t @hwoodcoaches
HTL	Huyton Travel Ltd	37 Wilson Road, Liverpool, L36 6AN	P 0151 4493868
			w https://huytontravel.co.uk/
			e info@huytontravel.co.uk
MDB	MD Bus & Coach	5 Delta Road, St Helens, WA9 2EQ	p 01744 611321
BSM	Stagecoach	Hyde Road, Manchester, M12 6JS	p 0161 273 3377
			w www.stagecoachbus.com
			e manchester.enquiries@stagecoachbus.com
			t @StagecoachGM
GNV	Stagecoach Merseyside	Gillmoss Bus Depot, East Lancashire Road, Liverpool, L11 0BB	p 0151 330 6200 / 01772 255777
			w www.stagecoachbus.com
			e enquiries.preston@stagecoachbus.com
			t @StagecoachMCSL
BVB	Vision Bus	Blackrod Interchange, Station Road, Blackrod, Bolton, BL6 5JE	p 01204 468288
			w www.visionbus.co.uk
			e info@visionbus.co.uk
			t @VisionBus
WBT	Warrington's Own Buses	Dallam Lane, Warrington, WA2 7NT	p 01925 634296
			w www.warringtonsownbuses.co.uk
			t @WarringtonBuses

For any comments of the routes/times or vehicles provided, or for any other queries or comments on services in Wigan then please contact TfGM on 0161 244 1000 or use the contact form at www.tfgm.com/contact.

Hope Academy 0840-1520

The following bus services run close by - more details can be found at <https://beenetwork.com>:

Arriva service 34 – Leigh, Lowton, St Helens

Additionally specific schoolday only services also serve the school as follows:

Service 988 – Leigh, Firs Lane, Lowton, Golborne

From Golborne, Lowton, Plank Lane and Leigh		Service 988	
Bee Network Contract Minimum Capacity Operator Code	1/SP 70 BSM	Bee Network Contract Minimum Capacity Operator Code	1/SP 70 BSM
Golborne, Town Centre	0727	Hope Academy	1540
Edge Green, ASDA	0730	Golborne, Town Centre	1551
Lowton, St Luke's Church	0740	Edge Green, ASDA	1554
Plank Lane/Common Lane	0747	Lowton, St Luke's Church	1602
Leigh, Twist Lane (Aldi)	0757	Lowton Common, Shepherds Inn	1610
Lowton Common, Shepherds	0808	Leigh, Twist Lane (Aldi)	1621
Lane Head	0816	Plank Lane/Common Lane	1627
Hope Academy	0830	Lowton, St Luke's Church	1634

From Golborne, Town Centre via Heath Street, Bank Street, Edge Green Lane, Ashton Road, Lowton Road, Golborne Road, Slag Lane, Plank Lane, Firs Lane, Twist Lane, King Street, St Helens Road, Newton Road, **Shepherds Inn for Lowton High School**, Newton Road, Southworth Road, Church Street, High Street, Ashton Road **to Hope Academy**.

Returning from Hope Academy via Ashton Road, Lodge Lane, East Lancashire Road, Warrington Road, Bridge Street, High Street, Heath Street, Bank Street, Edge Green Lane, Ashton Road, Lowton Road, Golborne Road, Church Lane, East Lancashire Road, Newton Road, St Helens Road, King Street, Twist Lane, Firs Lane, Plank Lane, Slag Lane **to Lowton, St Luke's Church**.