

School Bus Information 2023 – 2024

Lancashire County Council: Home to School Transport 2022-2023

Department of Education: Home to school travel and transport guidance. July 2014

Under section 508 (B) of the Education Act 1996 we must provide free transport to and from school for your child if they are aged 5 to 16 and they live outside the legal walking distance between your home and the nearest qualifying school. We must provide additional assistance for families who have a low income.

The Department for Education published statutory guidance for local Authorities in July 2014; Home to school travel and transport guidance.

Information about the Transport Assistance.

The admission information which is available for all parents from each September (online and paper where requested) provides a summary transport policy. Parents are advised to check the policy carefully if getting their child from home to school and back is a consideration. Parents are directed to a full copy of the Home to School Transport Policy on the Lancashire County Council website and to seek advice from the area education office if they have any queries.

Due to the many changes within the policy for school travel in Lancashire we are asked a number of questions about how to apply for school transport passes. We would like to make parents aware of the County Councils School Transport website, which offers useful information and advice of what parents need to do:

http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/school-transport.aspx

In addition to the website we would also like to make you aware of the dedicated school transport hotline number 0300 123 6738 and email address schooltransport@lancashire.gov.uk which can be used to answer any queries you may have.

LCC Fares From September:

 Distance
 Fare

 0-3 miles
 £3.40 rtn

 3-8 miles
 £4.80 rtn

 8+ miles
 £5.90 rtn

Season Tickets

Term & Yearly Season tickets can be purchased where space is available on the bus service at a 20% discounted rate off the cost of a daily return fare. Lancashire County Council reserves the right to refuse season ticket applications. You can also spread the cost if you choose to pay by direct debit.

Nb. Season tickets may be withdrawn and refunded if accommodation is required for Statutory Entitled pupils.

Commercial Services

Routes, fares and weekly ticket price information can be obtained by contacting the commercial operator directly.

Low income

If you have a low income and your child is in Year 7 to 11 in secondary school, we may be able to provide free transport if they go to one of their three nearest schools. For your child to receive free transport, the school must be between 2 and 6 miles away from your home.

If your child is entitled to free school meals or you receive the maximum amount of Working Tax Credit, you are defined as being on a low income. We have to provide extra help on top of that set out in sections 4 to low income families.

Assessments to receive assistance with transport are based solely on the distance between home and school.

There is no consideration of:

- Bus routes / bus availability.
- Older siblings with entitlement.
- Parental preference for a particular school.
- Grammar school status
- Single sex / mixed cohorts.
- OFSTED findings
- Home to school distances just under three miles.

Please note:

Transport eligibility assessments are undertaken by the Pupil Access Team. All assessments are undertaken within the framework of the published Home to School Transport Policy. Members of the team do not have any discretion to award assistance outside the policy. The policy is determined by the Cabinet Member for Children and Young People on an annual basis.

Financial Hardship

Obviously, the cost of this transport, if it does apply to you, may be more than some families can afford. Consequently, we are writing to reassure you that if Tarleton Academy is still your first choice, but not your closest school, we are willing to consider subsidising this cost where there is a genuine need. All you would need to do is contact the school and your individual case will be considered confidentially and sympathetically.

SERVICE: 724 BANKS - TARLETON ACADEMY

Operator:

724 Don Frazer

Return via outward route reversed.

Outside Police Station, Station Road, Banks	0805
By Station Road, Station Road, Banks	0805
Opposite Schwartzman Drive, Hoole Lane, Banks	0806
Adjacent to Church Road, Hoole Lane, Banks	0806
Adjacent to Glebe Lane, Church Road, Banks	0806
Opposite Fleetwood Drive, Church Road, Banks	0807
Opposite Methodist School, Chapel Lane, Banks	8080
By Smithy Corner, New Lane Pace, Banks	8080
By Brookfield Farm, New Lane Pace, Banks	0809
By New Lane Pace Nursery, New Lane Pace, Banks	0810
Opposite Hundred End Lane, Marsh Road, Hundred End	0815
By Greenfields, Chapel Road, Hesketh Bank	0820
Outside Methodist Church, Chapel Road, Hesketh Bank	0821
By Chandlers Croft, Chapel Road, Hesketh Bank	0822
Outside All Saints Church, Station Road, Hesketh Bank	0823
Opposite Rankin Avenue, Station Road, Beacconsall	0824
By Booths Moss Lane, Station Road, Becconsall	0825
Opposite Fermor Road, Hesketh Lane, Becconsall	0826
Opposite Community Primary School, Hesketh Lane, Tarleton	0827
By Sutton Avenue, Hesketh Lane, Tarleton	0829
Outside Tarleton Academy, Hesketh Lane, Tarleton	0830



SERVICE: 725 HUNDRED END – TARLETON SCHOOLS

Operator:

Saunders of Preston Ltd

Reverse of outbound route.

Marsh Road, Arawa Farm	0815
Junction Marsh Rd/Hundred End Ln	0818
Hundred End, Ricadona	0820
Hesketh Bank Moss Lane	0830
Tarleton CPS	0833
Tarleton Academy	0837

Service departs Tarleton Academy 1525

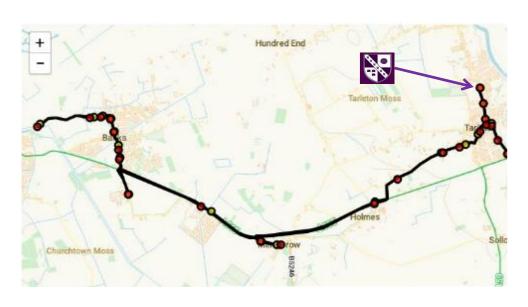


SERVICE: 838 BANKS – TARLETON ACADEMY

Operator:

838 (morning) – Mario Coaches838A (afternoon) – Holmeswood CoachesReturn via outward route reversed.

Adjacent to Ralph Wifes Lane, Banks Road, Fiddler's Ferry	0750
Outside Church Road, Ralphs Wifes Lane, Banks	0751
Outside St Stephens Church, Ralphs Wifes Lane, Banks	0752
By Church Road, Hoole Lane, Banks	0753
By Schwartzman Drive, Hoole Lane, Banks	0754
By Guinea Hall Mews, Guinea Hall Lane, Banks	0758
By Guinea Hall Avenue, Guinea Hall Lane, Banks	0758
Opposite Brooklyn Caravan Park, Gravel Lane, Banks	0800
Opposite Riverside Caravan Park, Southport New Road, Banks	0805
Outside Primary School, The Gravel, Mere Brow	0809
Opposite Legh Arms, The Gravel, Mere Brow	0813
By Blackgate Lane, Southport New Road, Holmes	0816
Adjacent to The Rectory, Blackgate Lane, Tarleton	0819
Opposite Oakgate Close, Blackgate Lane, Tarleton	0820
Opposite Cock and Bottle, Church Road, Tarleton	0821
By Fire Station, Hesketh Lane, Tarleton	0821
By Kearsley Avenue, Hesketh Lane, Tarleton	0822
Outside Tarleton Academy, Tarleton	0823





School Bus Information 2023 – 2024 Southport Bus

Southport and Other Areas

Tarleton Academy runs a minibus service for the Southport area. (Eligibility criteria applies)

Dobbies Garden Centre	07.50
Norwood Road	07.55
Roe Lane (Spar)	08.00
Park Ave	08.03
Cambridge Road (Elm House)	08.05
Botanic Road (opp Hesketh Pub)	08.10
Bankfield Lane	08.12
Preston New Road at Fairhaven Road	08.15
Plough Roundabout	08.17
Tarleton Academy	08.35



The cost for this service for the academic year 2022/2023

Payment Plan	2023/2024 (Reviewed on an annual basis)
Annual payment in advance in full £756.00 per student	Total Cost £756.00 per annum per student
3 Termly payments: September £252.00 per student January £252.00 per student and April of £252.00 per term per student	Total annual cost £756.00 per student
8 instalments of £94.50 per installment commencing September to April inclusive per student	Total annual cost £756.00 per student

If you have any questions about this service please do not hesitate to contact Mr Vose, a.vose@tarletonacademy.org.

Other Areas without Current Buses

We are aware that there are families who would like to put Tarleton as first choice but who don't have transport of their own and where there isn't a direct service bus. In situations such as these please contact us and we will be able to put a plan together.