

hop on the bus **to school!**

A fun and reliable way... to get to school every day!



Getting to School with Arriva

We appreciate that catching the bus to school for the first time can often raise quite a few questions.

We'd really like to help overcome this challenge and support students by providing all the information on Arriva services and bus passes, as well as guide how to use the bus. Overleaf is a map that shows all of our bus routes in your local community to help you understand which route you need.



Always know what's hAPPening

We also have a really handy journey planner app called the **Arriva Bus app**, that can be used to plan a journey. All you need to do is enter your home postcode and the schools postcode and the app will do the rest – easy!



Ticket options

We have a range of child tickets available to suit everyone from Day tickets for occasional travel to Annual tickets for those travelling everyday. These tickets are available for those under 16 or up to the end of year 11. We have two zones available, Maidstone for those travelling locally and Kent & Medway for those travelling further afield.

MAIDSTONE CHILD TICKETS

Day Ticket	Weekly Ticket
£4.10	£15.80
4-Weekly Ticket	Annual Ticket
£51.00	£470
Autumn term 02/09/19 – 23/12/19	Summer term 20/04/20 – 24/07/20
£180	£145
Spring term 06/01/20 – 03/04/20	Academic year 02/09/19 – 24/07/20
£140	£450

Maidstone child annual tickets can be paid monthly via direct debit for £39.17 per month, see arrivabus.co.uk/ss-kentsurrey for more details

Travelling further afield?

KENT AND MEDWAY ZONE CHILD TICKETS

Day Ticket	Weekly Ticket
£5.50	£23
4-Weekly Ticket	Annual Ticket
£85	£750
Autumn term 02/09/19 – 23/12/19	Summer term 20/04/20 – 24/07/20
£300	£250
Spring term 06/01/20 – 03/04/20	Academic year 02/09/19 – 24/07/20
£250	£730



KCC Travel Saver – Kent County Council offer Travel Saver passes to children in Kent. The pass is £350 for the year, with the option to spread the payment with monthly instalments.

Arriva offer travel during evenings, weekends and even school holidays with the Travel Saver card at no extra cost.

--- Maidstone Ticket Zone boundary

--- Morning school bus

--- Sundays only

● Railway Station

● Hospital

● School/University/Academy

- 1 Maplesden Noakes School
- 2 Maidstone Grammar School for Girls
- 3 Oakwood Park Schools
- 4 University for the Creative Arts
- 5 Invicta Grammar School
- 6 Maidstone Grammar School
- 7 Cornwallis Academy

See our website for additional school specific services

333 to Sittingbourne & Faversham
334 to Sittingbourne & Sheerness

59 & 89 to Ulcombe & Grafty Green

12 to Headcorn, Biddenden & Tenterden



How to use the bus

Catching the bus can be a fun way of travelling to and from school, but it is important to be aware of how to ride a bus in a way that makes everyone's journey a safe and enjoyable one.

1



When waiting at the bus stop **stand well away from the road** and show respect for others

2



Hold out your hand when you are at a bus stop to indicate you wish the bus to stop

3



Let people off the bus before you try to board

4



Have your **fare/pass** or **m-ticket** ready to pay/show the driver

5



Take a seat if there is one free, if not stand and **hold on tight to a handrail**

6



Push the **STOP** button just before your stop – but **only push it once!**

Visit [arrivabus.co.uk/kent-and-surrey-schools](https://www.arrivabus.co.uk/kent-and-surrey-schools) for more information and to watch our video

Check out our helpful video, created with the help of pupils from Trinity School in Sevenoaks
Search Arriva How to Catch A Bus on YouTube



Top tips

Here are some useful tips for catching the bus that can make your journey easier

1



Practice taking your journey to school, maybe during the summer so that you know which bus stops to get on and off at

2



Plan ahead and check bus times with the Arriva Bus app

3



Keep your ticket/pass safe – keep it in the same place each time you put it away

4



If the bus is full, **give up your seat** to a vulnerable passenger.

5



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Bus travel has never been so easy

Download the Arriva Bus app today and plan your entire journey with just two postcodes

Track the bus on our live map and never miss your stop

Features of the app include:



Bus Times



Live Map



Link to m-ticket



Trip Planner



Take me to...



Live Departures

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Still have questions?

If you need anymore information about your route to school please contact schoolscomms@arriva.co.uk