

Travel Guide for Students and Visitors



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At St Katherine's we have a high percentage of students travelling to school by car, coach or bus. In 2011 we gained the Gold Award from the National School Travel Plan initiative which was set up by the Department for Transport (DfT) and Department for Children Schools & Families (DCSF).

As part of our School Travel Plan we consider all the current methods of transport to ensure:

- Student Safety
- Student Comfort
- Students healthy approach to travel
- A consideration of the local environmental impacts.

What it means for St Katherine's

- We work closely with the North Somerset Council STP team and with our own School Travel Plan advisor.
- We involve all stakeholders at the school, including School Council, students, and parents to help develop and maintain the strategy.
- We work with external partners such as transport providers, VOSA, the Traffic Commissioner, and the local Police Community Support Officer.
- We look at the whole range of transport options and provisions for our staff and students.
- We consider the environmental impact on our local community.

Further details can be found on the school website under the Parents' section/Transport & School Travel Plan.

Walking to School

We encourage all our local students to walk whenever possible. Care should be taken on the local main roads and footpaths used.



Cycling to School

There are a number of safe cycling routes to St Katherines. Please use the secure cycle racks provided and lock up any cycles or equipment as the security of each student's bike is their own responsibility.

Secure Storage

A new secure cycle storage facility is provided for students and staff. Please note- students who bring their cycles to school do so at their own risk and school cannot take any responsibility for loss or damage. We recommend that any cycle equipment is insured and marked with the owner's postcode. Users of these facilities will need to wear a helmet for their personal safety.

Getting to St Katherine's by Car

From the M5 (Junction 19 M5)

Follow the road signposted to Bristol A369, continue along the Martcombe Road (A369) turn left, just after Haberfield Hill into Pill Road. St Katherine's School is on the right approximately a quarter of a mile from the junction.

From Bristol

From the City Centre follow the signs for the M5 on the A369 leaving Bristol, proceed up a steep hill called Rownham Hill. Follow the Abbots Leigh Road (A369) approximately 2 miles. Turn right into Pill Road just before Haberfield Hill. St Katherine's School is on the right approximately a quarter of a mile from the junction.

Car Sharing

As part of our School Travel Plan we try to discourage the use of too many cars coming on site and encourage the use of public transport or cycling. However we do agree that car sharing arrangements are an excellent idea. Many parents have organised themselves into local groups and take it in turns to bring students to and from school. Due to the Data Protection Act we cannot give out information about parents, however we have found that the students do most of the organising through friends in their tutors groups.

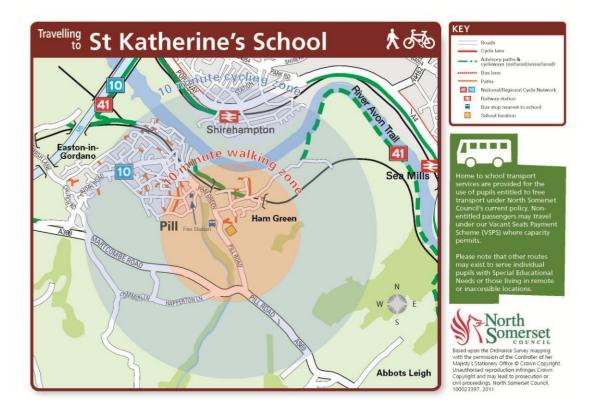
We would ask parents to make contact with each other and set up arrangements amongst themselves. This can save a lot of time, fuel and congestion. For other ideas and contacts please visit: www.2carshare.com

Smoking

St Katherine's School operates a strict non-smoking policy which includes all grounds, buildings and cars on site.

Further Information

Further information can be found by visiting our school website <u>www.st-katherines.n-somerset.sch.uk</u> and going to the Parents section and looking at the Transport and School Travel Plan pages.



Parking at St Katherine's

We kindly ask that visitors park in the allocated parking bays and not in the areas designated for buses. Please also avoid parking on the double yellow lines or near the gates as this obstructs access for coaches and deliveries. Users of car parks on this site do so at their own risk. We will not accept liability for damage, loss or accident to any vehicles or contents.

Disabled parking

Disabled parking is available in the top car park and next to the English Faculty for Blue Badge holders.

Sixth Form Students driving to school

If a student has a valid licence to drive either a motorcycle or car and wishes to park in the car park, please ask permission from Mr Cutland, the Business Manager. Please note students' motorcycles and cars should only be parked in the overflow car park.

Security

We request that all visitors sign in at the visitor reception, collect a visitor badge, which should be worn at all times and returned to visitor reception when signing out. Details of car registration number etc. will be required.

Movement on site

Please note there is a strict one way system as well as a 5 mph limit on site.





Home to School Transport Buses

For students entitled to free transport through the North Somerset Home to School Transport Scheme, this is provided by Blue Iris Coaches (Tel 01275 851121). Details of bus times and stops are provided with the bus pass. Details of bus times and stops are provided below and also with the bus pass pack sent to you by North Somerset Council. Please note that free transport does not apply to post 16 students.

	Pick up	Return
Long Ashton Road/Theynes Croft	8.05	15.54
Long Ashton Library/Weston Road	8.10	15.50
St Katherine's School	8.35	15.30

If you have any queries please contact:

Home to School Transport, Town Hall, Weston-super-Mare BS23 1UJ or

Email: cyps.hometoschooltransport@n-somerset.gov.uk

Telephone: 01934 634 715

First Bus

Public Transport

The Public Bus Service from Bristol and Portishead is run by First Bus and the routes are X3 and X4. More details are available on the school website.

Full details are available at www.firstgroup.com
Customer Services & Enquiries Tel: 0845 602 0156

Eurotaxis and Carmel Coaches

Eurotaxis and Carmel Coaches are private companies who operate these services as commercial regulated public bus routes. Although the school does not have a contractual agreement with these companies, we work closely with them and provide trained Bus Monitors.

The companies have provided the information below. The Companies are Eurotaxis who run routes 888 A-D and Carmel Coaches who run route X5.

If you have any queries, please contact the bus operators directly on the telephone numbers shown. These services run Monday to Friday during school terms only. If you have any queries regarding the services offered or for further information, please contact the relevant company.

Please note that these buses will stop at any recognised bus stops on the existing routes where students are waiting- but students will need to put their hand out to indicate to the driver to stop. Most buses are single decker coaches. Please note the consumption of food or fizzy drinks is **not** permitted on any coaches or buses.



EUROTAXIS Tel: 01454 320022

Fare £4.50 return £3.00 Single to be paid on a daily basis to the driver.

BUS STOPS & TIMES OF OPERATION - 888A

NUMBER	STOP LOCATION & NAME	AM	PM
1	Gloucester Road - Horfield Sports Centre	07:10	16:35
2	Monks Park Avenue - Job Centre	07:12	16:32
3	Monks Park Avenue - Southmead Hospital	07:15	16:29
4	Southmead Road - Lidl Store	07:17	16:27
5	Southmead Road - Greenway Park	07:19	16:25
6	Southmead Road - Bear & Ruged Staff Pub	07:22	16:22
7	Southmead Road - Whiteleaze	07:24	16:20
8	Henleaze Road - Henleaze Lake	07:25	16:19
9	Henleaze Road - Eastfield Inn	07:26	16:18
10	Henleaze Road - Henley Grove	07:28	16:16
11	Westbury Road - Henleaze Gardens	07:32	16:12
12	Falcondale Road - Downs Road - this is a School Bus Only stop	07:34	16:10
13	Canford Lane - Sandyleaze	07:38	16:06
14	Canford Lane - Churchill Drive	07:40	16:04
15	Bell Barn Road -junc with Shirehampton Rd - no stop sited	07:43	16:01
16	Shirehampton Road - Sea Mills Square	07:45	15:59
17	Westbury Lane - junc with Shirehampton Rd / Iron Bridge	07:48	*15:52
18	Westbury Lane - Southwood Drive	07:49	*15:53
19	Westbury Lane - Aldercombe Road (Shops)	07:50	*15:54
20	Sylvian Way - junc with Coombe Dale	07:52	*15:55
21	Sylvian Way - Sunny Hill	07:53	*15:56
22	Kings Weston Lane - Kings Weston House	07:58	15:50
23	Kings Weston Lane - Barrowmead Drive	07:59	15:49
24	Long Cross - junc with Kings Weston Lane - Roundabout	08:00	15:48
25	Long Cross - Badenham Grove	08:01	15:47
26	Long Cross - Roman Ruins	08:02	15:46
27	Kings Weston Avenue - Merrimans Road	08:04	15:44
28	Lower High Street - Hope & Anchor Pub	08:07	15:41
29	Avonmouth Road - Akeman Way	08:08	15:40
30	St Katherine's School	08:20	15:30

BUS STOPS & TIME OF OPERATION - 888B

NUMBER	STOP LOCATION & NAME	AM	PM
1	Canford Lane - Westbury Village (W-bound am / E-bound pm)	07:30	16:20
2	Henbury Road - Falcon Close (return stop on Falcondale Rd)	07:33	16:17
3	Northover Road - Westover Road	07:35	16:15
4	Northover Road - Passage Road	07:36	16:14
5	Charlton Road - Burghill Road	07:39	16:12
6	Charlton Road - St Peters Hospice	07:40	16:11
7	Charlton Road - Standon Way	07:42	16:09
8	Charlton Road - Knole Lane	07:45	16:07
9	Knole Lane - St Joseph's Road	07:46	16:06
10	Knole Lane - Marlwood Drive	07:47	16:05
11	Crow Lane - Old Crow Pub / Roundabout	07:49	16:03
12	Crow Lane - Lay By	07:50	16:02
13	Henbury Road - Blaise Castle (pm extra stop on Hallen Rd)	07:51	15:56
14	Long Cross - De Clifford Road	07:52	15:54
15	Long Cross - Chapel Lane	07:53	15:53
16	Long Cross - St Bede's School	07:54	15:52
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CARMEL COACHES Tel: 01275 859123

www.carmelcoaches.co.uk

Daily Fares: £3.50 single or £4.50 return to be paid to the driver on a daily basis.

10 ticket package £22.00 offering flexible travel, to be paid to the driver.

Weekly pass £20.00 to be paid to the driver

Termly Pass based on 6 terms per year £115 per term. For termly passes please contact the company directly.

Service X5 Serving:-

Wells Road, Broad Walk, Redcatch Road, St. Johns Lane, North Street, East Street, Ashton Gate, Sea Mills, Shirehampton, Avonmouth

	Pick	
X5 (stops at all stops en route)	up	Return
Wells Road The Bush	7.35	16.15
Broad Walk Shops		16.10
St John's Lane Wedmore Vale	7.38	16.05
Bedminster opposite the Post Office	7.45	
North Street (Hen & Chicken)	7.50	16.02
Ashton Gate		16.00
Sea Mills Roman Way	8.10	15.55
Shirehampton Station	8.15	15.47
Avonmouth Roundabout	8.24	
Avonmouth Portview Road		15.44
St Katherine's School	8.35	15.30

St Katherines School Code of Conduct for Bus and Coach Users

Purpose

- To ensure the interests of all Students' Health and Safety are met.
- To ensure that all Students have an enjoyable, stress free journey to and from school.
- To uphold the reputation of St Katherine's School.
- To encourage good behaviour, respect and self-discipline amongst all students.

Code of Conduct

General

- To be smartly dressed in school uniform or appropriate attire for Sixth Form students.
- No consumption of food, snacks or fizzy drinks (still drinks and water allowed)
- No smoking or consumption of alcohol or dropping litter.
- No use of bad language, swearing or language of an inappropriate or aggressive nature.
- Have your ticket available or money ready to purchase a ticket, you will not be allowed on the bus without a ticket or payment.
- Be polite and courteous to each other, drivers and members of the public.
- Under no circumstances must tickets be copied or forged.

Waiting for the bus, embarking or disembarking.

- Wait for the bus or coach in an orderly queue without any pushing.
- Allow members of the public to pass and/or walk by.
- Embark in a calm and safe manner.
- Disembark in an orderly and safe manner.
- Find a seat and remain seated at all times.
- Under no circumstances should you leave the bus before your usual bus stop if you have a problem report it to your Bus Monitor.
- In the event of a bus not arriving/stopping for the school-bound journey, please call school immediately do not start walking.

During the Journey

- Do not do anything that might endanger you, other students or the driver.
- Remain seated until the bus has stopped at your bus stop.
- Do not call out to other students or distract the driver.
- Obey the instructions of the School Bus Monitors.
- No consumption of food, snacks or fizzy drinks (still drinks and water allowed)
- Place any litter or chewing gum in bins or bags provided or take it home.
- In the event of an emergency only leave the bus if requested to do so by the driver or Bus Monitor, wait for replacement transport do not start walking.

Bus Monitors

Bus Monitors are appointed and trained by the school to ensure the Code of Conduct is observed and to report any issues that may arise back to school for the school to deal with. Students who may have concerns when travelling on the bus should approach their Bus Monitor.

Disciplinary Action

Any reported poor behaviour or failure to observe the Code of Conduct for Buses will be dealt with as a disciplinary issue by school. The Bus Operators have the right to ban students from their bus service/s.