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## Rushcliffe School Buses Information

### **Information regarding the bus services that will be running from September 2018.**

Silverdale will be running the 280, 281, 282, 283 & 284 services from Ruddington as usual. If you live within Ruddington catchment you will almost certainly qualify for a free bus pass for one of the services run by Silverdale. The service you are allocated depends on your home address. You can make an application for a bus pass through Nottinghamshire County Council.

An online application can be accessed via:

[www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/learning/schools/schooltravel](http://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/learning/schools/schooltravel)

Alternatively you can telephone 0300 500 8080 and request that an application form be sent to you. It is recommended that you make an early application to secure a bus pass in time for the new academic year. Application forms will be available on the Year 6 parents evening. The cost for non-pass holders will be £1 each way for under 16's and £2 each way for 16 and over students. I remind students to board the bus for which their pass is labelled to avoid overcrowding; Silverdale manage the size of vehicles based on the number of passes issued for each bus.

Sharpes of Nottingham will be running two fee paying bus services, one covering the Lady Bay area (221) and the other the Gamston area (221A) to bring students directly to and from school. The price will be £1.70 each way or £2.80 return and is payable to the driver on each journey. Sharpes offer a discounted annual or term time pass which are available on request. For further details please contact the head office on 0115 989 4466

To ensure that pupils arrive in plenty of time to be able to engage with form time learning, which we value as an important part of the school day all services are timetabled to arrive in plenty of time before the start of the school day. The timings and routes are available on through the relevant links.

Here at Rushcliffe School we work hard to ensure that our pupils have a safe journey to and from school when they travel on a school bus service. We are however aware that from time to time things do not run as smoothly as they ought to. Of course, it is not possible to deal with such situations unless we are aware of them. Pupils are informed that they can always report incidents to any member of staff in school or in particular to the PSU. The school intends to use sixth form bus monitors on the Silverdale Ruddington services again in September. The role of these monitors is to support pupils on the bus and help to ensure that pupils are calm and sensible on the journey to and from school.

We work closely with the Silverdale and Sharpes services to ensure that both companies provide a suitable service to our students and parents and continue to monitor this so obviously welcome your feedback at any time.

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