

St Andrew's Prep
EASTBOURNE

MINIBUS SERVICE
for 2023/24

A MINIBUS SERVICE FOR DAY PUPILS

St Andrew's Prep provides a return minibus service to the school on Mondays to Fridays. The school's network consists of 15 routes and covers a radius of 40 miles. Three routes are allocated to St Andrew's pupils only and other routes listed are shared with Eastbourne College. This allows the school to offer an extensive transport network across the South East to accommodate the needs of parents/carers. A Saturday morning service is also available on Eastbourne College routes.

The minibus service is operated by the school using our in-house drivers and fleet of vehicles. Drivers are DBS checked and regularly undertake training to ensure the safety of pupils travelling on the service.

How the minibus service works

Mornings

All routes aim to deliver pupils to St Andrew's Prep by 8.15am. Parents/carers are encouraged to deliver pupils to their stops at least five minutes before departure times. All drivers follow the timetable as closely as possible and will not leave the stops before the stated time nor wait for latecomers.

Evenings

Buses in the evening depart from St Andrew's Prep at 4.15pm and 5.45pm, unless otherwise advised in advance. Pupils will be delivered to drop off points as near as possible to listed times, subject to traffic delays. Once pupils leave the bus at their agreed stop, the bus will continue with its journey – parents/carers are responsible for pupils from this point. There is only one service on Wednesday afternoons, at 4.15pm, due to sports fixtures and activities that pupils will be involved in.

How to book

All bookings for home to school minibus journeys are made via our online booking system, which can be viewed at eastbournecollege.vectare.co.uk.

Payment for the service is made at the time of booking and the child's name will automatically be added to the minibus register. The website also incorporates an interactive journey planner, which allows parents/carers to enter a postcode to find their closest minibus stop. The online service keeps parents/carers updated on their child's journey with real time information and push-notifications.

Bookings should be made in advance for all home to school journeys. A priority booking window will be in operation for parents/carers wishing to book regular full week return or one-way journeys (Mon to Fri) for the term or whole year.

We also offer a flexible fare for specific regular (but not full week) journeys to fit around family requirements as well as for parents/carers requiring ad-hoc journeys. These can be booked online in advance of travel, when required and where capacity allows.

For further information on the service please contact Sheila Walker on 01323 451925 or bussing@eastbourne-college.co.uk.

CHARGES

The annual charges for the bus service for the academic year are as follows:

	Zone 1	Zone 2	Zone 3	Zone 4
Full week return journey	£795	£1200	£1410	£1605
Full week single Journey	£480	£675	£765	£870
4 days return journey	£669	£997	£1168	£1325
4 days single journey	£404	£565	£656	£787
3 days return journey	£522	£777	£925	£1033
3 days single journey	£318	£443	£522	£615
Single journey	£4.50	£5.50	£6.50	£7.50

The cost of a termly fare is calculated at the point of booking and is based on the number of weeks in that term.



ST ANDREW'S PREP – ROUTE MAP 2023-24

