



**NORTHWOOD
COLLEGE**
FOR GIRLS

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Transport & Travel Guide
2023-2024

Welcome to our Transport and Travel Guide, for the 2023-2024 academic year. We have produced this guide in order to communicate the wide range of travel options available to pupils at Northwood College for Girls, including our own school coach service and other public transport links. We update the guide every September to reflect any changes made to transport services over the year. We are fortunate that pupils at Northwood College for Girls have access to a variety of sustainable options for travelling to and from school, including our own coach service that is available to girls in year three and above.

Our school coach service is managed on our behalf by Vectare, a specialist school transport management company. All bookings for school coach routes must be made via our online booking system, which can be viewed at northwoodcollege.vectare.co.uk. The website allows you to book travel 24/7 from anywhere in the world, meaning that if you need to leave early for work one morning or you are running late and you would like your daughter to travel on a school coach as a one off, you can make a booking right up until the coach is due to depart. Payments for school coach travel are also made on the website, so girls are not required to carry cash with them to use the coach service.

All of our school coaches are operated by Bessway Coaches, a high-quality local coach operator with whom the school has an excellent and longstanding relationship. All coach drivers are DBS checked, and the school’s coach services are driven by a small pool of regular drivers, which allows both you and your daughter to get to know the drivers on your route. Bessway Coaches operate a fleet of modern and comfortable coaches; all are maintained to a high standard and have seatbelts fitted to every seat.

Our school coach service is designed to connect with National Rail and London Underground services at key interchange locations, including Hatch End, Edgware and Rayners Lane. All connections are highlighted on individual route timetables.

I very much hope that you are able to find a travel solution that works for your family. If you need any further assistance planning your daughter’s journey to school, or you would like to discuss travel options from areas not currently served by our school coach service, please contact us via the school transport website and we will be pleased to assist.

I would like to wish your daughter a pleasant and successful academic year.

Kind regards,

Don Andrews
Director of Finance & Operations, Northwood College for Girls



Bessway Coaches provide our pupils with modern, comfortable vehicles, which are maintained regularly to a very high standard. This allows you to have peace of mind that your daughter is travelling in comfort and safety.



All coach drivers are subject to an enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check, and also undertake periodic training to enhance their professional driving skills. You can, therefore, be confident that your daughter is being transported safely and professionally.



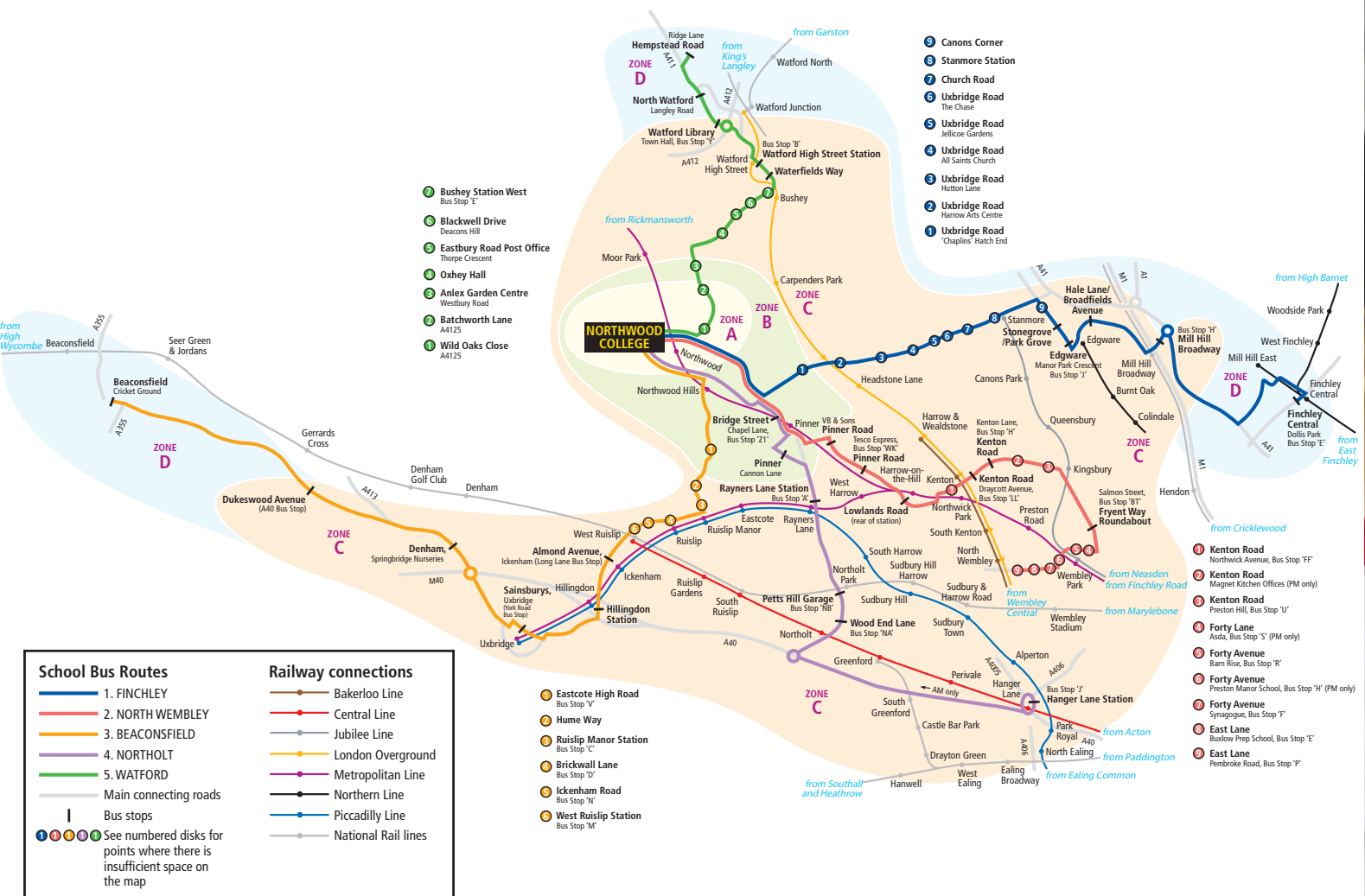
We offer a wide range of different tickets on our school coach service. From a single fare for a one off journey through to return passes for the entire academic year, there are options for everybody’s travel arrangements. You can book tickets at any time throughout the year, so it is simple to book an extra journey or arrange travel for a visiting friend.



Our school coach network offers 75+ stops across 5 routes. Connections to National Rail and London Underground services, along with Transport for London bus routes, are available at key interchange locations. We want to offer you a travel solution that works for your family, so if you would like any assistance working out the best route to school, please do get in touch.



It takes less than 30 seconds to find your nearest coach stop online, and booking takes only a few minutes, so all of the information you need to arrange travel for your daughter really is at your fingertips. To find your nearest stop or to book your daughter’s travel, visit northwoodcollege.vectare.co.uk.



Bikes





Girls are welcome to cycle to / from school. Should girls wish to have an allocated space to park their bike, please email us at contact@vectare.co.uk.

Cars

Girls are not permitted to drive or park any vehicle on the Northwood College for Girls site, and we do not encourage girls to drive to school. Northwood College for Girls can be accessed via a wide range of sustainable transport options, including walking, cycling and our own school coach service , so there is little need for girls to drive.

1- Finchley

SCHOOL COACH SERVICE TIMETABLES

Zone	Stop	AM	PM	
D	Dollis Park, Finchley Central (Stop E)	06:55	17:20	
D	Parson Street, Ashley lane Bus Stop	07:05	17:10	
C	Mill Hill Broadway (Stop H)	07:15	17:00	
C	Hale Lane/Broadfields Ave	07:20	16:55	
C	Edgware, Manor Park Crescent (Stop J)	07:25	16:50	
C	Stonegrove / Park Grove (Bus Stop)	07:28	16:47	
C	Canons Corner Bus Stop	07:30	16:45	
C	Stanmore Station	07:32	16:43	
C	Stanmore Church	07:40	16:40	
C	Uxbridge Road / The Chase	07:43	16:37	
C	Uxbridge Road / Jellicoe Gardens	07:44	16:35	
C	Uxbridge Road- All Saints Church (Stop WG)	07:45	16:33	
C	Uxbridge Road / Hutton Lane (Stop Q)	07:47	16:32	
C	Uxbridge Road / Harrow Arts Centre (Stop U)	07:50	16:30	
B	Uxbridge Road, 'Chaplins' Hatch End	07:52	16:29	
-	Northwood College	08:20	16:15	

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Go to
northwoodcollege.vectare.co.uk
to locate your nearest coach
stop and book ad hoc or regular
travel

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Make your booking
and get instant
confirmation

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Contact us via the
website if you have any
questions

2 - North Wembley

SCHOOL COACH SERVICE TIMETABLES

Zone	Stop	AM	PM	
C	East Lane (Wembley High, Stop M)	07:15	17:15	
C	East Lane (North Wembley Station, Stop N)	07:16	17:12	
C	East Lane (Pembroke Road, Stop P)	07:17	17:10	
C	East Lane (Buxlow Prep School, Stop E)	07:18	17:08	
C	Forty Avenue, Synagogue (Stop F)	07:20	17:05	
C	Forty Avenue, Barn Rise (Stop R)	07:21	17:02	
C	Neasden, Forty Lane (Blackbird Cross, Stop BB)	07:22	16:59	
C	Fryent Way Roundabout, Salmon Street (Bus Stop BT)	07:24	16:56	
C	Preston Hill (Stop U)	07:27	16:53	
C	Shrewsbury Avenue	07:29	16:51	
C	Kenton Road, Kenton Lane (Stop H)	07:32	16:48	
C	Kenton Road, Draycott Avenue (Stop LL)	07:35	16:45	
C	Kenton Road, Northwick Avenue (Stop FF)	07:38	16:42	
C	Lowlands Road, Rear of Harrow Met Line Station	07:43	16:37	
C	Pinner Road, Tesco Express / The Gardens (Stop WK)	07:45	16:35	
C	Pinner Road, VB & Sons Bus Stop	07:48	16:32	
-	Northwood College	08:15	16:15	

Please note that all coach stops are shown for indicative purposes only. The coach will only stop if students are booked to travel from a particular stop and stops are shown to provide options, rather than being a definitive list. Any parent who wishes to use a stop not shown above, but on the route, should contact Vectare via the school transport website.



Railway Station



Underground Station






Overground Station



Request Stop

3 - Beaconsfield

SCHOOL COACH SERVICE TIMETABLES

	Stop	AM	PM	
D	Beaconsfield, Cricket Ground	07:05	17:00	
C	Dukeswood Avenue (A40 Bus Stop)	07:10	17:03	
C	Denham, Springbridge Nurseries	07:19	16:54	
C	Sainsburys, Uxbridge (York Road Bus Stop)	07:25	16:45	
C	Hillingdon Station	07:33	16:40	 
C	Almond Avenue, Ickenham (Long Lane Bus Stop)	07:36	16:37	
C	West Ruislip Station (Stop M)	07:38	16:35	 
C	Ickenham Road (Stop N)	07:40	16:33	
C	Brickwall Lane (Stop D)	07:41	16:32	
C	Ruislip Manor Station (Stop C)	07:43	16:30	
C	Hume Way	07:44	16:28	
B	Eastcote High Road (Stop V)	07:50	16:27	
-	Northwood College	08:20	16:15	

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4 - Northolt

SCHOOL COACH SERVICE TIMETABLES

Zone	Stop	AM	PM	
C	Hanger Lane Station (Stop J)	07:15	17:12	
C	Moat Farm Road (Stop C)	07:32	16:52	
C	Wood End Lane (Stop NA)	07:35	16:49	
C	Danemead Grove, Petts Hill Garage (Stop NB)	07:38	16:45	
C	Rayners Lane Station (Stop A)	07:45	16:35	
C	Cannon Lane, Pinner	07:50	16:30	
B	Bridge Street, Chapel Lane (Stop Z1)	07:53	16:27	
-	Northwood College	08:20	16:15	

*Please note that the Watford Service will still not operate.



Sign up to our
school coach
service

SCHOOL COACH SERVICE FARES 2022-2023

	Zone A	Zone B	Zone C	Zone D
Single Trip (per journey)	£4.23	£6.47	£8.74	£10.36
AM Only / PM Only / Return (per journey)	£2.90	£4.29	£5.75	£7.20

Please note that AM only, PM only and return travel passes are billed on a termly basis, in advance, via the booking website.



TERMS & CONDITIONS OF CARRIAGE

1. This agreement is made between all school coach passengers, their parents and Northwood College for Girls in order to provide safe, comfortable and civilised journeys for all passengers.
2. Arrangements for pupils’ journeys to and from school are the responsibility of their parents. To assist with discharging this responsibility, Northwood College for Girls provides a school coach service. Parents are responsible for their daughter at all times including both prior to and after boarding and alighting.
3. Transport on the School coach service must be arranged in advance and is paid through the online booking system.
4. Bookings on the School coach service are non-refundable in the event of a pupil failing to travel. Regular travel for fewer than ten journeys per week must be booked for a full academic year, and the days of travel must be consistent from week to week. This is not the case for ad-hoc bookings which can be made on a flexible basis.
5. Bookings are to be made via northwoodcollege.vectare.co.uk.
6. Each pupil for whom an online form has been submitted will be added to a coach list detailing the service they travel on, their coach stop and what travel has been paid for. Their name will appear on a list, which will be checked by the driver.
7. The school reserves the right to alter or change the routes during the academic year.
8. Any change in prices will be notified with at least full term’s notice. Any changes are usually notified at Easter to take effect the following September.
9. It will be the parent’s responsibility to inform the School via the Contact Us form on the website if they no longer wish for their child to use the School coach service. Once travel has been booked and paid for, for the avoidance of doubt, no refunds will be offered under any circumstances.
10. Parents of Junior School pupils must advise Mrs Kelly and Miss Norton if their daughter is, for any reason, not travelling home on the school coach, if scheduled to do so. This includes school trips and matches. This is to ensure that girls not present, at the time of departure from school, do not cause delays to other users.
11. If you wish for your daughter to use the School coach service on an ad hoc basis, or to vary the details of her coach travel as a one-off, you should book travel via the online website prior to travel. A charge of £3.68, £5.64, £7.48 or £9.08 per single journey is levied for individual trips.
12. Pupils who travel on the School coach service without pre-booking online, will have a standard fare of £20.00 added to your ParentPay account for each trip taken. If Girls use the service 3 times without a prior booking, they will be denied access to future use of the coach service until all charges have been settled.
13. For morning trips, bookings must be made by 17:00 the day before. For afternoon trips, bookings must be made by 15:00 on the day of travel.
14. Pupils should be at the coach stop 5 minutes before the scheduled time of departure, to ensure they do not miss the service.
15. Good conduct is required at all times. Shouting, use of foul language, dropping litter, playing music, or any other misbehaviour is strictly forbidden. The consumption of food and drink is at the discretion of the driver. Pupils should not visit the shops prior to departing on the school coach.
16. Except when embarking or disembarking, all passengers must remain seated with their seat belts fastened correctly.
17. Whilst on a School Coach, all passengers must accept without question the authority of a Northwood College for Girls member of staff, transport company official or prefect, who may ask them to obey any reasonable instruction such as to pick up litter, desist from certain actions or to move to a different seat.
18. Failure to comply with these conditions may result in the matter being referred to the pupil’s class teacher or Head of Year and may result in disciplinary action, including temporary or permanent withdrawal of permission to use the School coach service .
19. Northwood College for Girls aims for 95% of journeys to operate within the transport industry window of tolerance of one minute early to five minutes late, however timings may vary due to traffic conditions or unforeseen circumstances. Drivers will not wait past the scheduled departure time.



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