



Travelling by Bus

Our bus service is used solely by Kimbolton School pupils and is open to children of all ages. Over a third of our pupils use our buses each week with the Prep children seated together at the front of each bus. Lower Prep bus users need a designated Upper Prep or Senior School 'buddy' who will look after them during the journey.

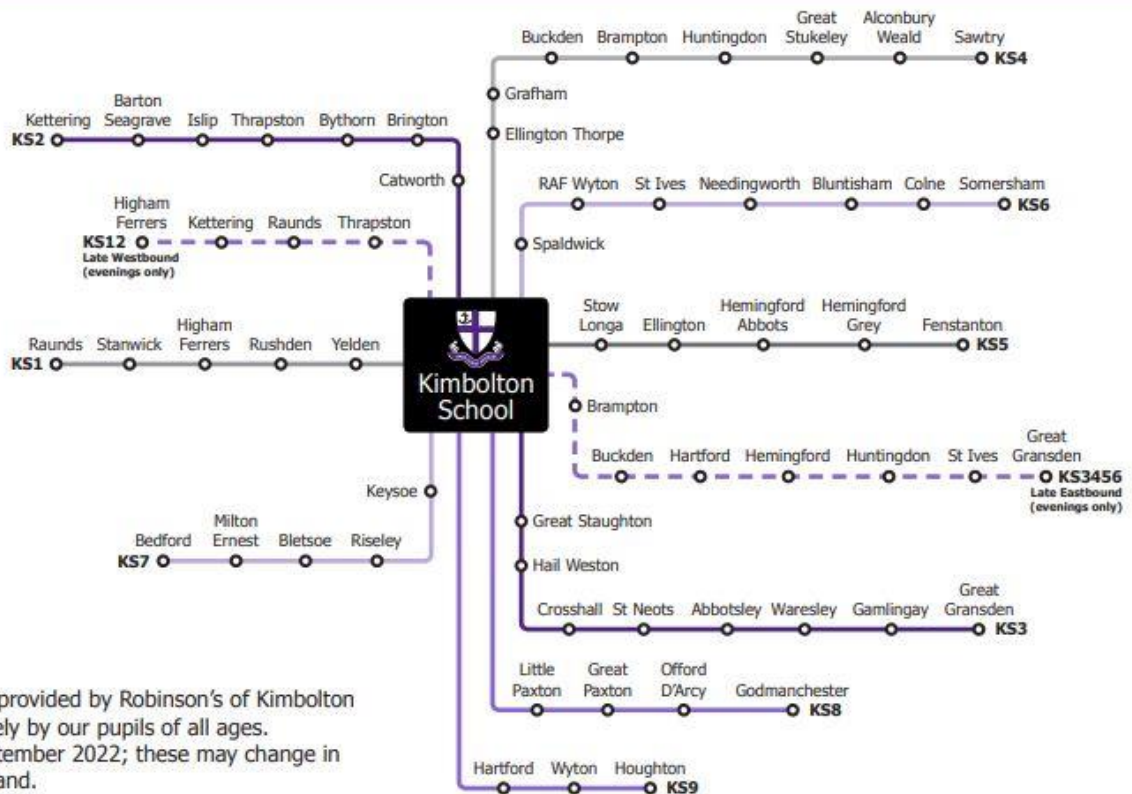
Operated by Robinsons of Kimbolton and Platinum Tours, the coaches and minibuses meet all current safety standards, including seatbelts that we require all pupils to use. The drivers hold appropriate DBS clearances.

We run nine Monday to Friday bus routes (designated KS1 to KS9) in three counties. In addition, two late buses, one westbound and one eastbound, depart at 6pm each evening so that Senior School pupils may participate in after-school activities. There is no additional charge to bus users for the late buses.



Kimbolton School Bus Service

www.kimbolton.cambs.sch.uk/busservice



Our coaches are provided by Robinson's of Kimbolton and are used solely by our pupils of all ages. Routes as at September 2022; these may change in response to demand.

You may choose from the following options:

- Monday to Friday return
- Monday to Friday one way (am or pm)
- One day return/two am trips/two pm trips per week (all variations cost the same)
- Single am or pm trip per week

In allocating seats, we prioritise in the order above. Where space allows, we also offer ad hoc use of the bus service, which may be booked via the Prep School Office or via the Bursary Reception at the Senior School.

Bus Timetables

Please find below the timetables for the 2023-24 service, which we have reproduced here for illustrative purposes. Once we know the demand for each stop, we will allocate stops to routes and let you know your arrangements.

Please ensure that your child is at the departure stop at least three minutes before the published time.

AM Departure Point and/or PM Arrival Point		Mon– Fri Depart	Mon– Fri Arrive	Price Band
	Raunds – Market Square	07.30	17.25	D
	Stanwick – Spencer Parade bus stop	07.35	17.15	D
	Higham Ferrers – Station Road bus stop	07.38	17.05	D
	Higham Ferrers – Windmill Banks bus stop (near Simpson Avenue)	07.40	17.01	D
	Higham Ferrers – High Street bus stop (near Green Dragon PH)	07.41	16.59	E
	Higham Ferrers – High Street/Tollbar bus stop	07.45	16.53	E
	Rushden – Higham Road/Prospect Avenue bus stop	07.43	16.49	E
	Rushden – Home Bargains/RC Church bus stop	07.44	16.53	E
	Rushden – Bedford Road/Manning Street I	07.48	16.49	E
	Rushden – Bedford Road/Rugby Club bus stop	07.52	16.48	E
	Yelden – Brick bus stop	08.01	16.44	E
	Kimbolton School	08.30	16.30	
	Kimbolton Preparatory School	08.40	16.20	

AM Departure Point and/or PM Arrival Point		Mon– Fri Depart	Mon– Fri Arrive	Price Band
KS2 – Kettering and Thrapston	Kettering-Foster Way bus stop	07.34	17.31	I
	Kettering – Northampton Road bus stop	07.35	17.30	I
	Barton Seagrave – layby near A6/Warkton Lane junction	07.44	17.21	H
	Islip – Kettering Road bus stop	07.55	17.10	E
	Thrapston – Euro Trade Sales	08.00	17.05	E
	Bythorn – Warren Lane Bus Stop	08.08	16.52	C
	Brington Primary School	08.14	16.46	C
	Catworth – Bus stop	08.19	16.41	B
	Kimbolton School	08.30	16.30	
Kimbolton Preparatory School	08.40	16.20		

AM Departure Point and/or PM Arrival Point		Mon– Fri Depart	Mon– Fri Arrive	Price Band
KS3 – Gransdens, Gamlingay and St Neots	Great Gransden – West Road/Poplar Close junction	07.26	17.25	G
	Little Gransden – Primrose Hill, village hall	07.31	17.20	G
	Gamlingay – Waresley Road (Opposite WI Hall)	07.40	17.15	G
	Waresley – Duncombe Arms PH	07.44	17.10	G
	Abbotsley – Church	07.50	17.05	F
	St Neots – Cambridge Street bus stop near junction Longsands Road*	08.00	16.55	D
	St Neots – Market Square bus stop	08.05	16.50	D
	Crosshall – Great North Road, Eaton Oak PH layby		16.45	D
	Hail Weston – bus stop	08.14	16.41	C
	Great Staughton – bus stop near village hall	08.22	16.35	B
	Kimbolton School	08.29	16.30	
	Kimbolton Preparatory School	08.40	16.20	

*5 min walk from St Neots train station

AM Departure Point and/or PM Arrival Point		Mon– Fri Depart	Mon– Fri Arrive	Price Band
KS4 – Alconbury Weald, Huntingdon, Brampton	Alconbury Weald – B1043 bus stop near Admiral Homespace	07.25	17.15	D
	Great Stukeley – village hall bus stop	07.30	17.10	E
	Huntingdon – Stukeley Road bus stop near St Margarets Way	07.35	17.06	E
	Huntingdon – layby near Scholars Avenue (by post box)	07.40	17.01	E
	Brampton – High Street near shops	07.45	16.56	D
	Buckden – High Street near war memorial	07.55	16.49	C
	Grafham – Cinnamon restaurant	08.01	16.43	C
	Ellington Thorpe		16.41	C
	Kimbolton School	08.30	16.30	
	Kimbolton Preparatory School	08.40	16.20	

AM Departure Point and/or PM Arrival Point		Mon– Fri Depart	Mon– Fri Arrive	Price Band
KS5 – Hilton, Hemingfords , Godmanchest	Fenstanton – High Street, clock tower	07.42	17.22	F
	Hemingford Grey – Glebe Road	07.49	17.16	G
	Hemingford Abbots – village hall	07.53	17.12	F
	Ellington – Mermaid PH	08.10	16.45	F
	Kimbolton School	08.25	16.30	
	Kimbolton Preparatory School	08.35	16.20	

AM Departure Point and/or PM Arrival Point		Mon– Fri Depart	Mon– Fri Arrive	Price Band
KS6 – Somersham, St Ives, Houghton and Wyton	Somersham – The Pasture	07.15	17.39	I
	Colne – High Street phone box	07.20	17.34	I
	Bluntisham – High Street – Baragraph bus stop	07.24	17.30	I
	Needingworth – bus stop near Queen’s Head PH	07.31	17.23	H
	St Ives – Houghton Road bus stop over Pursers Corner (AM only)	07.39		G
	St Ives – Ramsey Road bus stop near TNS Toyota (PM only)		17.15	G
	St Ives – Houghton Road/Garner Drive bus stop	07.42	17.13	G
	Spaldwick – The George PH	08.15	16.40	B
	Kimbolton School	08.28	16.30	
	Kimbolton Preparatory School	08.40	16.20	

AM Departure Point and/or PM Arrival Point		Mon– Fri Depart	Mon– Fri Arrive	Price Band
KS7 – Bedford, Bletsoe and Riseley	Bedford – Park Ave bus stop between Pemberley Ave/De Parys Ave	07.47	17.04	D
	Milton Ernest – A6 Queen’s Head PH bus stop	07.57	16.56	D
	Bletsoe – The Avenue/Old Way	08.03	16.52	C
	Riseley – High Street/The Barns	08.10	16.45	B
	Keysoe – Chequers PH bus stop	08.15	16.38	A
	Kimbolton School	08.30	16.30	
	Kimbolton Preparatory School	08.40	16.20	

AM Departure Point and/or PM Arrival Point		Mon– Fri Depart	Mon– Fri Arrive	Price Band
KS8 – Hartford, the Offords and the Paxtons	Godmanchester – Earning Street (Exhibition PH)	07.47	17.06	E
	Godmanchester – West Street (The Priory)	07.48	17.03	E
	Offord Cluny – bus stop near Swan PH	07.55	16.59	D
	Offord D’Arcy – High Street/Orchard Road	07.57	16.57	D
	Great Paxton – bus stop High Street/Brookside	08.01	16.54	D
	Little Paxton – Gordon Road/Boardman Close	08.10	16.47	D
	Crosshall, Gt. North Road, Eaton Oak layby	08.17		D
	Kimbolton School	08.32	16.30	
	Kimbolton Preparatory School	08.40	16.20	

AM Departure Point and/or PM Arrival Point		Mon– Fri Depart	Mon– Fri Arrive	Price Band
KS9 – Houghton, Wyton and Hartford	Houghton	07.43	17.10	F
	Wyton	07.45	17.08	F
	Hartford	07.53	17.00	F
	Kimbolton School	08.30	16.30	
	Kimbolton Preparatory School	08.40	16.20	

Late Buses

The late buses depart at 6 pm with stops at the following locations:

- Westbound (KS12): Thrapston, Raunds, Kettering, Higham Ferrers
- Eastbound (KS3456): Brampton, Buckden, Hartford, Hemingford, Huntingdon, St Ives, Great Gransden

As the buses stop on an ‘as required’ basis, the timings of their arrivals at stops are fluid. Please keep in contact with your Senior School child as to their progress along the route.

Cost of Travel

Our bus service is non-profit making. We base the termly charge on the radial distance travelled and frequency of use. Please look up the price band listed against your required stop and then refer to the table below.

Price Band	Mon-Fri Return	Mon-Fri AM/PM only	One Day Per Week Return	One Day Per Week AM/PM Only
A	£262	£170	£79	£53
B	£291	£188	£87	£58
C	£364	£237	£110	£73
D	£440	£287	£132	£88
E	£514	£334	£154	£104
F	£590	£383	£176	£118
G	£664	£431	£199	£132
H	£739	£480	£221	£147
I	£813	£530	£244	£162

Note: The charge for a single ad hoc journey is £8.90 (all bands).

Bookings

We will be accepting 2023-24 bookings from July 2023.

An application form must be completed to request a place on our bus service. Please [apply online](#) using the Engage Parent Portal and create a Bus Booking Daybook entry, note the following before making a booking:

1. Payment for bussing will be added to your termly bill and taken in advance.
2. All places are reserved for the academic year and charged termly. Places are allocated on a first come first served basis.
3. A half term's written notice is required if you wish to stop using the bus service; provisional notice may be given if you are unsure when your circumstances are likely to change.
4. Bus passes will be issued to children via tutors at the start of term. Children must carry their pass on each journey and be prepared to show it as required. Those without a pass may be charged for an ad hoc journey.
5. Please make sure that your child is able to contact you - or has a number for the driver to use – in the event of any problems such as your child missing their stop.
6. All pupils must wear seatbelts at all times when on the bus. Please make your child is aware of this requirement.

Queries

For further information and queries, please contact Mr Simon Richardson, our Domestic Services Manager, on 01480 862233 or bussing@kimboltonschool.com
