

#### GDST

#### Transport & Travel Guide 2023-2024

## Welcome

#### Dear Parents / Guardians,

Thank you for taking the time to look at our Transport and Travel Guide for the 2023-2024 academic year. This is our third such guide, which sets out the wide range of travel options available to girls at Putney High School. From our own, newly enhanced, school coach service to the wide range of public transport options provided by Transport for London, there are plenty of opportunities for a sustainable journey to school. We also encourage girls to walk or cycle to school where this is feasible and safe for them.

Our school coach service is now managed on our behalf by Vectare, a specialist school transport management company. All bookings for our school coach routes should be made via our new online booking system, which can be accessed at **putneyhigh.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 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. Payment for the school coach service is made at the time of booking, so there is no need for girls to carry cash with them.

For the forthcoming year, routes will be operated by high quality coach operators who have been audited and approved by Putney High School. All drivers are DBS checked and regular drivers are allocated to the same route every day, which allows both you and your daughter to get to know the driver on the route. All vehicles used on our coach routes have seat belts fitted to each seat and are maintained to a high standard.

In addition, we are continuing with the four routes for September 2023. These routes start at Slaone Square, Hammersmith, Wimbledon, and Richmond. Pupils in year 3 and above are able to use any service, with pupils in year 2 and below only able to use the Richmond and Wimbledon services.

Our school coach service also connects with National Rail and London Underground services at key locations. This allows parents to drop their daughter off at the coach, and go to work via public transport, or for parents and girls to travel part of the journey together.

If you need any further assistance, or you would like to discuss travel options from areas not currently served by our school coach network, please contact us via the school transport website.

Kind regards,

Jo Sharrock **Head** 



All of our vehicles are modern, easy-to-board and are operated either by the school or high quality coach operators. They are all regularly maintained to the highest standard, with seat belts fitted to every seat, giving you peace of mind that your daughter is travelling in safety.

We use dedicated drivers who work on the same routes. They get to know the pupils and are subject to an enhanced disclosure and barring service (DBS) check and full MiDAS / CPC training.

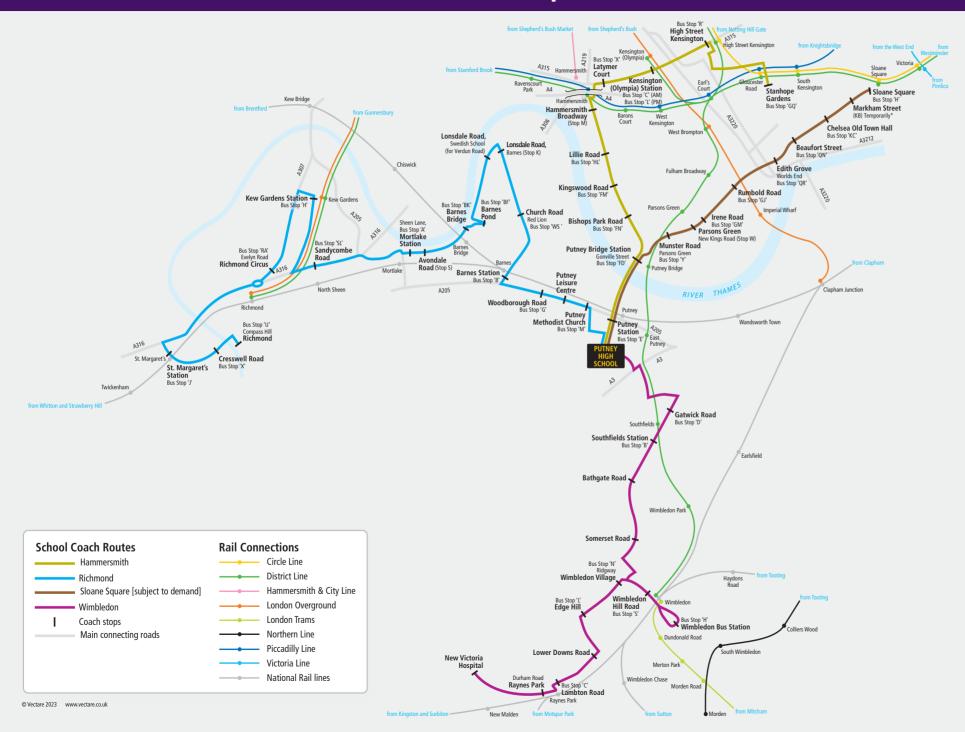
Bookings can be made at any time via our online booking system. All annual passes can be bought on a termly basis, and you can simply pay by credit or debit card at the time of booking. Subject to availability, bookings can also be made throughout each academic term.

Our school coach network consists of 40+ coach stops, and we also have direct links from National Rail stations, London Underground stations and the London Overground network. We want to offer you a travel solution that works for you and your daughter, so if you need any assistance working out the best route to school then 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 is at your fingertips! To find your nearest stop or book your daughter's travel, visit **putneyhigh.vectare.co.uk**.

## **Five Star Service**

## School Coach Service Map





# Timetables

### **Richmond**

Stop	AM (Mon-Fri)	PM (Mon-Fri)	
Richmond, Compass Hill (Stop U)	07:05	17:17	2
Cresswell Road (Stop X)	07:07	17:12	
St Margarets Station (Stop J)	07:11	17:09	2
Richmond Circus, Evelyn Road (Stop RA)	07:15	17:03	2
Kew Gardens Station (Stop H)	07:20	16:55	
Sandycombe Road (Stop SL)	07:28	16:48	2
Mortlake Station, Sheen Lane (Stop A)	07:37	16:40	2
Avondale Road (Stop S)	07:39	16:36	_
Barnes Bridge (Stop BK)	07:42	16:33	2
Barnes Pond (Stop BF)	07:44	16:30	_
Lonsdale Road, Swedish School (for Verdun Road)	07:48	16:26	_
Lonsdale Road, Barnes (Stop K)	07:50	16:25	-
Church Road, Red Lion (Stop WS)	07:54	16:21	-
Barnes Station (Stop B)	07:57	16:17	2
Woodborough Road (Stop G)	08:01	16:13	_
Putney Leisure Centre	08:03	16:12	_
Putney Methodist Church (Stop M)	08:04	16:11	_
Putney High School	08:12	16:00	-

Go to putneyhigh.vectare.co.uk Contact us via the Make your booking website if you have any to locate your nearest coach and get instant stop and book ad hoc or regular travel Overground Station London Trams UNDERGECOND Underground Station Railway Station

### **Sloane Square**

Stop	AM (Mon-Fri)	PM (Mon-Fri)
AM - Sloane Square (Stop K)   PM - Sloane Square (Stop M)	07:25	16:44
Markham Street (KB)	07:33	16:41
Chelsea Old Town Hall (Stop KC)	07:38	16:38
Beaufort Street (Stop QN)	07:43	16:33
Edith Grove Worlds End (Stop QR)	07:46	16:30
Rumbold Road (Stop GJ)	07:49	16:27
Irene Road (Stop GM)	07:52	16:23
Parsons Green, New Kings Road (Stop W)	07:55	16:22
Munster Road, Parsons Green (Stop Y)	08:00	16:20
Putney Station (Stop E)	08:09	16:10
Putney High School	08:15	16:00

### Hammersmith

Stop	AM (Mon-Fri)	PM (Mon-Fri)
anhope Gardens (Stop GQ)	07:28	16:45
ligh St Kensington (Stop R)	07:35	16:38
ngton Olympia Station (Stop C)	07:40	16:32
Latymer Court (Stop X)	07:47	16:27
nmersmith Broadway (Stop M)	07:50	16:22
Lillie Road (Stop HL)	07:53	16:19
Kingwood Road (Stop FM)	07:55	16:17
shops Park Road (Stop FN)	07:57	16:16
ney Bridge Station (Stop FD)	08:01	16:14
Putney High School	08:13	16:00

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### Wimbledon

Stop	AM (Mon-Fri)	PM (Mon-Fri)
New Victoria Hospital	07:25	16:46
Raynes Park, Durham Road	07:33	16:38
Lambton Road (Stop C)	07:35	16:37
Lower Downs Road	07:38	16:32
Edge Hill (Stop L)	07:41	16:29
Wimbledon Hill Road (Stop S)	07:47	16:23
Wimbledon Bus Station (Stop H)	07:50	16:20
High Street, Wimbledon Village (Stop P)	07:53	16:18
Somerset Road	07:56	16:16
Bathgate Road	08:00	16:12
Southfields Station (Stop B)	08:05	16:07
Gatwick Road (Stop D)	08:07	16:06
Putney High School	08:15	16:00

#### Bikes

Pupils are welcome to cycle to school and we have bicycle racks on site. It is recommended that bikes are secured using a suitable lock.

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#### Cars

It is highly recommended that pupils do not drive to and from school. Putney High School has very good public transport links and parking around the school is limited. There is no parking on the Putney High School site.



Sign up to our school coach

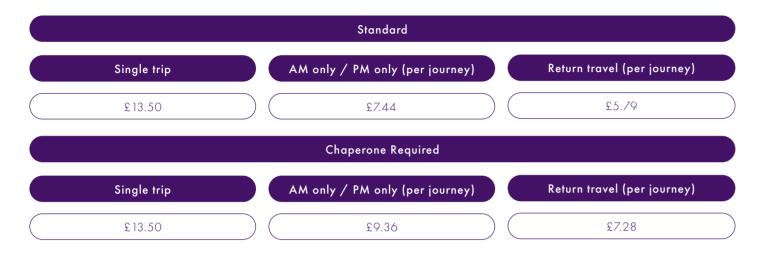




## Other Transport



# Fare information



The cost per journey is higher for ad-hoc journeys due to the variable nature of this travel requirement. All annual bus passes are paid termly, via the online booking system.



- 1. This agreement is made between all school coach passengers, their parents and Putney High School 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, Putney High School provides a school coach service. Parents are responsible for their daughters at all times including both prior and after boarding and alighting.
- 3. Transport on the school coach service must be arranged in advance and paid for 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 booking can be made on an AM only / PM only / Return travel basis. All bookings must be made for the full academic year. Pupils in reception to year 2 are required to be accompanied by a chaperone onboard. This service is only available on the Wimbledon and Richmond routes.
- 5. Bookings are to be made online via the transport booking system at putneyhigh.vectare.co.uk.
- 6. Putney High School reserves the right to increase the charges misbehaviour is strictly forbidden. for the School Bus Service with effect from the commencement 14. Except when embarking or disembarking, all passengers must of each term, to reflect any increases in the cost of providing the remain seated with their seatbelts fastened correctly. School Bus Service. Putney High School will give not less than one month's prior notice in writing of any increase. Where payment 15. Whilst on a school coach, all passengers must accept without has already been made for the full academic year, payment of guestion the authority of a member of Putney High School staff, any outstanding amount resulting from an increase must be paid transport company official, school prefect or coach monitor, who through the ParentPay account. In the event of any increase to may ask them to obey any reasonable instruction such as to pick the charges, parents will be entitled to remove the pupil from up litter, desist from certain actions or to move to a different seat. the School Bus Service prior to the commencement of the term in which the increase is to take effect and receive a refund of any 16. Failure to comply with these conditions may result in disciplinary funds already paid for the remaining portion of the academic year, action, including temporary or permanent withdrawal of without needing to give a full term's notice. Putney High School permission to use the school coach service. will make every effort to mitigate the need for any increases to 17. Putney High School aims for 95% of journeys to operate within the the charges during an academic year and will only do so where transport industry window of tolerance of one minute early to five necessary.
- 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.
- 8. 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.

## Terms & Conditions

One full term's notice must be given by a parent prior to the removal of a pupil from the school coach service (apart from in the case of an ad hoc journey).

- If you wish for your child to use the School Coach Service on an ad hoc basis, or to vary the details of their coach travel as a one-off, you should book travel via the website prior to travel. A charge of £13.50 per single journey is levied for individual trips depending on location.
- 10. No pupil is permitted to travel on the school coach service if not pre booked for that coach. Other arrangements for journeys to and from school must be made by them or their parents.
- Pupils must travel to and from Putney High School in full school uniform or a full school tracksuit (except on approved non-uniform days).
- Pupils should be at the coach stop five minutes before the scheduled time of departure, to ensure they don't miss the coach.
- 13. Good conduct is required at all times. Bullying, shouting, use of foul language, dropping litter, playing music, or any other misbehaviour is strictly forbidden.

17. Putney High School 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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