



BEECHEN CLIFF

Safer and Sustainable Travel To School



We strongly encourage students to travel to school by walking, cycling or using the bus, where possible. This is much better for the environment, reduces pollution for students who are walking and helps to reduce traffic congestion around the entrance to school. There is no access to our car parks at the beginning or the end of the day, except by special arrangement, the roads around school can become very congested. Parents and Carers should use the Bear Flat to drop off their children to avoid nuisance to our neighbours and heavy traffic near pedestrian entrances.



If you have to use a car to bring your child to school, please DO NOT park directly outside of the school entrance on the zig zags on Kipling Avenue - parents and carers who park on the zig zags are endangering the lives of children and preventing access to the school for emergency services.

There are alternative locations for dropping your child (Chaucer Avenue), who can walk the last 200 metres (at most) to school safely using the pavements up Kipling and Shakespeare Avenue. The Majestic Wine car park on Bear Flat is also a useful “drop and go” location.

Buses

For information on school bus services, including timetables and routes, please click the link below to visit First Bus timetables [Timetables | First Bus](#)

Renewing and Applying for School Bus Passes

You can find all the information you need about applying for bus passes [Students | First Bus](#)

D2, D2X Timetable

For the D2, D2X Timetable to Frome - [D2 D2x--A4 Timetable Bath Web.pdf \(firstbus.co.uk\)](#)



| | | D2 D2x | |
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| | | Bath - Frome via St Martin's Hospital, Hinton Monday to Friday (except F | |
| | Service Number | D2x | D2x |
| Bath, Bus Station | 0435 | 0535 | |
| Hinton Charterhouse, High Street | — | — | |
| Rode, Memorial Hall | — | — | |
| Beckington, Birchwood | | 0500 | 0600 |
| Frome Sports Centre | | 0507 | 0607 |
| Frome, Market Place | | 0515 | 0615 |
| Frome, Sainsbury's Superstore | | 0525 | 0625 |

Travelling by Train

For students who travel by train from surrounding areas, they are able to catch a bus to the Bear Flat from the Bus Station or walk to school if time allows this.

[Check Train Times and Timetables | Great Western Railway \(gwr.com\)](http://gwr.com)

Travelling by car

In the interests of safety, it is essential that parents and carers do not drive into the school grounds to drop off or pick up their children. Quite simply, with over a thousand pedestrians this would pose a serious danger. Students must arrange with their parents to pick them up at a safe place outside the school grounds, preferably Bear Flat or Chaucer Avenue, reducing pollution and congestion around the school site.

Please support us in our drive to become more sustainable and also to keep your child safe by considering whether your child needs to be driven to school and, if so, where you should drop them, so that all our children can come to school safely.

Cycling

Cyclists must have their parent/carers' permission, keep their cycles in roadworthy condition, lock them securely in the designated cycle storage area with CCTV and never leave on them parts that can be easily removed. Cycles should be insured under parents' home policy. In the interests of safety, cyclists must dismount at the gate and not ride in the grounds. All students cycling to school must wear protective helmets and ideally an item of hi viz. At the end of the school day, students should only use Kipling Avenue to access Wellsway as vision is best on this route. Cyclists should moderate their speed accordingly given the number of pedestrians and cars at that time to ensure their safety and the safety of other road users.



Pedestrians

Pedestrians must not use the driveway but instead should use the pedestrian entrance and footpath from Kipling Avenue or Greenway Lane. If using the Greenway Lane entrance, pedestrians should always stick to the designated path through the school grounds. In all cases, as pedestrians, students should avoid blocking the pavement or path in a group having safety and respect for other users at all times.

