# TRANSPORT GUIDE 2025/26





## WELCOME

#### DEAR PARENTS / GUARDIANS,

Thank you for taking the time to look at the Sevenoaks Prep Bus Services for the 2025-2026 academic year.

Sevenoaks Prep has appointed Vectare, a specialist school transport management company, to manage the bus service and they will be responsible for the handling of all parental queries and day-to-day operations. Vectare are responsible for over 2.5 million independent school journeys a year.

This guide provides an overview of the school bus service network and contains further details, including timetable information.

All bookings for the school bus routes are made via our online booking system, which can be viewed at <a href="theprep.vectare.co.uk">theprep.vectare.co.uk</a>. - this includes an interactive journey planner which allows you to enter your postcode and find your closest stop. Any amendments and changes can also be made via the 'My Account' section of the website. Please note that same-day return bookings must be made by 11:00 am to guarantee a seat.

If you need any further assistance, or you would like to discuss travel options from areas not currently served by our network, please contact us via the bookings website and we will be pleased to assist.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish your child a pleasant and successful academic year ahead.

Yours faithfully,

Sevenoaks Prep Transport Team



## **TIMETABLES**

#### **KINGS HILL**

ZONE	STOP	АМ	РМ
3	Little Waitrose and Partners, Kingshill	07:39	16:41
3	High Street, West Mailling	07:46	16:34
2	The Black Horse, Borough Green	08:00	16:20
1	The Hutch Deli and Café, Ightham	08:04	16:16
	Sevenoaks Preparatory School	08:15	16:05

#### **SEVENOAKS**

ZONE	STOP	АМ	РМ	РМ
1	Aisher Way Bus Stop, Tesco's Superstore	07:47	16:32	17:32
1	Miller & Carter, Sevenoaks (Village Hall Bus Stops)	07:55	16:27	17:27
1	Sevenoaks Magistrates Court	07:59	16:23	17:23
1	Sevenoaks Railway Station	08:07	16:20	17:20
1	St Botolph's Road Bus Stop	08:10	16:18	17:18
1	Bayham Road (near Hillside Avenue)	08:15	16:15	17:15
	Sevenoaks Preparatory School	08:20	16:05	17:05

#### **HOW TO BOOK**

Scan the QR code or go to theprep.vectare.co.uk. Login and enter your postcode to find your nearest stop.



Make your booking and get instant confirmation.

Contact Vectare via the website if you have any questions.

### **FARES**

f3.00

ZONE 1 Price per Trip 1-4 Trips 5-10 Trips Single Trip per Week per Week

f2.88

£3.50

ZONE 2 Price per Trip 1-4 Trips 5-10 Trips **Single Trip** per Week per Week £4.00 £3.75 £4.50

ZONE 3 Price per Trip 1-4 Trips 5-10 Trips **Single Trip** per Week per Week £5.00 £4.60 £5.50





## **TERMS & CONDITIONS**

- 1. This agreement is made between all school bus passengers, their parents and Sevenoaks Prep in order to provide safe, comfortable and civilised journeys for all passengers.
- 2. Arrangements for pupils' journeys to and from the school are the responsibility of their parents. To assist 8. Good conduct is required at all times. Bullying, with discharging this responsibility, Sevenoaks Prep provides a transport service.
- Transport on the school bus service must be arranged in advance. If you wish to use the school bus service on an ad hoc basis, or to vary the details of your bus travel as a one-off, you should book travel via the website prior to travel. Payment for the service is made online at the time of booking and your child's name will automatically be added to the register. Bookings are to be made online via theprep.vectare.co.uk
- 4. Bookings on the school bus service are nonrefundable in the event of a pupil failing to travel.
- 5. It will be the parents' responsibility to inform the school via the 'Contact Us' form on the website if they no longer wish to use the school bus service. A half term's notice must be given by a parent prior to the removal of a pupil from the school bus service (apart from an ad-hoc journey). If an ad hoc journey is cancelled with more than 24 hours' notice the booking can be transferred to another journey.
- 6. No pupil is permitted to travel on the school bus service if not pre-booked for that bus. Other arrangements for journeys to and from school must be made by them or their parents. Pupils must travel to and from Sevenoaks Prep in full school uniform or a full school PE kit (except on approved non-uniform days).

- 7. Pupils should be at the bus stop five minutes before the scheduled time of departure to ensure they don't miss the service. In the evening, parents should be at the bus stop five minutes before the estimated time of arrival to collect a passenger.
- shouting, use of foul language, dropping litter, eating, playing music, or any other misbehaviour is strictly forbidden.
- 9. Except when embarking or disembarking, all passengers must remain seated with their seatbelts fastened correctly.
- 10. Whilst on a school bus, all passengers must accept without question the authority of a transport company official or school member of staff 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.
- 11. Failure to comply with these conditions may result in disciplinary action, including temporary or permanent withdrawal of permission to use the school bus service.
- 12. Sevenoaks Prep 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. This will not apply to the afternoon journeys due to having estimated journey times that will change on a daily basis.

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