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# Transport and Travel Guide

2025/2026

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# Welcome

## Dear Parents / Guardians,

Thank you for taking the time to look at our Transport and Travel Guide for the 2025-2026 academic year. We have produced this guide in order to communicate the wide range of travel options available to girls at Blackheath, from our own school bus service for girls in Year 1 and above, 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 for them.

Our school bus service continues to be managed on our behalf by Vectare, a specialist school transport management company. All bookings for our school bus routes must be made via our online booking system, which can be accessed at [blackheath.vectare.co.uk](https://blackheath.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 bus as a one off, you can make a booking right up until the bus is due to depart. We advise you to make a booking as soon as possible in order to secure a space.

Some of our bus routes are operated in-house, using our own fleet of minibuses, and others are operated by high quality coach operators who have been audited and approved by Blackheath 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 your route. All vehicles used on our bus routes have seat belts fitted to every seat, and are maintained to a high standard.

Our school bus service offers direct services from Peckham, London Bridge and Victoria Park, alongside connections from Chislehurst, Tower Gateway, Canary Wharf, and Lewisham. Please note that the stop lists on the following pages are indicative and the bus will only stop at stops where students have booked to use the service. Our school bus service is designed to connect with London Underground, MBNA Thames Clippers and National Rail services at key locations across south-east London. These connections are highlighted on individual route timetables within this booklet.

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 bus network, 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,

**Rob Ryan**

**Director of Finance & Operations**

# Five Star Service



All of our vehicles are modern and are operated by the school or our approved operators. This means that they are all regularly maintained to the highest standard and gives you peace of mind that your daughter is travelling in safety.



We use dedicated drivers who work on the same route everyday. These drivers get to know the pupils and are subject to an enhanced disclosure and barring service (DBS) check and full MiDAS / CPC training. All of our routes also carry a chaperone, giving you comfort that your daughter is travelling in safety.



We offer a wide range of different tickets on our school bus 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 bus network consists of 30+ bus stops, and we also have direct links from 5 National Rail stations, 2 London Underground Stations, 4 DLR stations, the Emirates Airline and 2 London Overground lines. 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 bus 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 visit your nearest stop or to book your daughter's travel, visit

[blackheath.vectare.co.uk](https://blackheath.vectare.co.uk).

# National Rail Connections

## Rail services to Westcombe Park Railway Station

**ThamesLink: 06:31 from Bedford via London St Pancras (arrive Westcombe Park Station 08:02)**

St Albans City (07:10), London St Pancras (07:32), Farringdon (07:37), City Thameslink (07:39), London Blackfriars (07:41), London Bridge (07:48), Deptford (07:55), Greenwich (07:57), Maze Hill (08:00).

**ThamesLink: 06:56 from Rainham (Kent) (arrive Westcombe Park station 08:12)**

Rochester (07:11), Strood (Kent) (07:17), Higham (07:22), Gravesend (07:29), Northfleet (07:32), Swanscombe (07:34), Greenhithe for Bluewater (07:38), Stone Crossing (07:40), Dartford (07:45), Slade Green (07:50), Abbey Wood (07:57), Plumstead (08:01), Woolwich Arsenal (08:04), Charlton (08:10)

## Rail services to Blackheath Railway Station

*Connection to Peckham route  
AM: 08:01 PM: 16:17*

**Southeastern: 07:32 from Barnehurst (arrive Blackheath Station 07:50)**

Bexleyheath (07:35), Welling (07:38), Falconwood (07:40), Eltham (07:43), Kidbrooke (07:47)

**Southeastern: 07:25 from London Charing Cross (arrive Blackheath Station 07:47)**

London Waterloo East (07:28), London Bridge (07:34), Lewisham (07:45)

## Rail services to Lewisham Railway Station

*Connection to Peckham route  
AM: 07:47 PM: 16:30*

**Southeastern: 07:20 from Orpington (arrive Lewisham Station 07:43)**

Petts Wood (07:23), Chislehurst (07:27), Elmstead Woods (07:30), Grove Park (07:34), Hither Green (07:38)

**Southeastern: 07:22 from London Cannon Street (arrive Lewisham Station 07:36)**

London Bridge (07:26), New Cross (07:32), St Johns (London) (07:34)



# Thames Clipper Connections



## MBNA Thames Clipper Services to Greenwich and North Greenwich



The MBNA Thames Clippers river boat network connects with the Blackheath High School bus service at Greenwich Pier. Passengers can alight here and take a short (5 minute) walk to Greenwich Picturehouse, High Street / Roan Street (Stop H). This bus stop is served by the London Bridge bus service, departing at 07:54. In the afternoon, the London Bridge bus service returns to Greenwich at 16:29

Greenwich Pier is served by river boat RB1, which runs between Battersea Power Station, Central London and Woolwich (Royal Arsenal). A new pier has opened at Royal Wharf, between Woolwich Arsenal and North Greenwich. River boat RB1 will call here, and this will provide a convenient link for students who live on the Northern bank of the River Thames. These students will be able to board at Royal Wharf and then change from the boat to the bus at Greenwich.

For more information about MBNA Thames Clippers, please visit [www.thamesclippers.com](http://www.thamesclippers.com). If you would like help planning your daughter's journey to Blackheath High School, email [blackheath@vectare.co.uk](mailto:blackheath@vectare.co.uk) and one of our team will assist you.

## RB1: From Woolwich, Royal Arsenal to Greenwich (AM)

MBNA Thames Clipper: 07:33 from Woolwich (Royal Arsenal) (arrive Greenwich Pier 07:53)

Royal Arsenal (07:33), North Greenwich (07:45), Greenwich Pier (07:53)

## RB1: From Greenwich to Woolwich, Royal Arsenal (PM)

MBNA Thames Clipper: 16:26 from Greenwich Pier to Woolwich (Royal Arsenal)

Greenwich Pier (16:26), North Greenwich (16:32), Woolwich (16:41)



## Bikes

Girls are welcome to cycle to school. Bicycle racks are situated at the front of the Senior School site. It is recommended that bicycles are secured using a suitable lock.

## Cars

Girls are not permitted to drive or park any vehicle on the Blackheath High School site. Girls who drive to school must park safely and legally off site, without causing inconvenience to local residents. Please note that restrictions on many of the roads around the school prevent non-residents from parking on them. We would encourage girls to use school or public transport, or active travel modes, wherever possible.

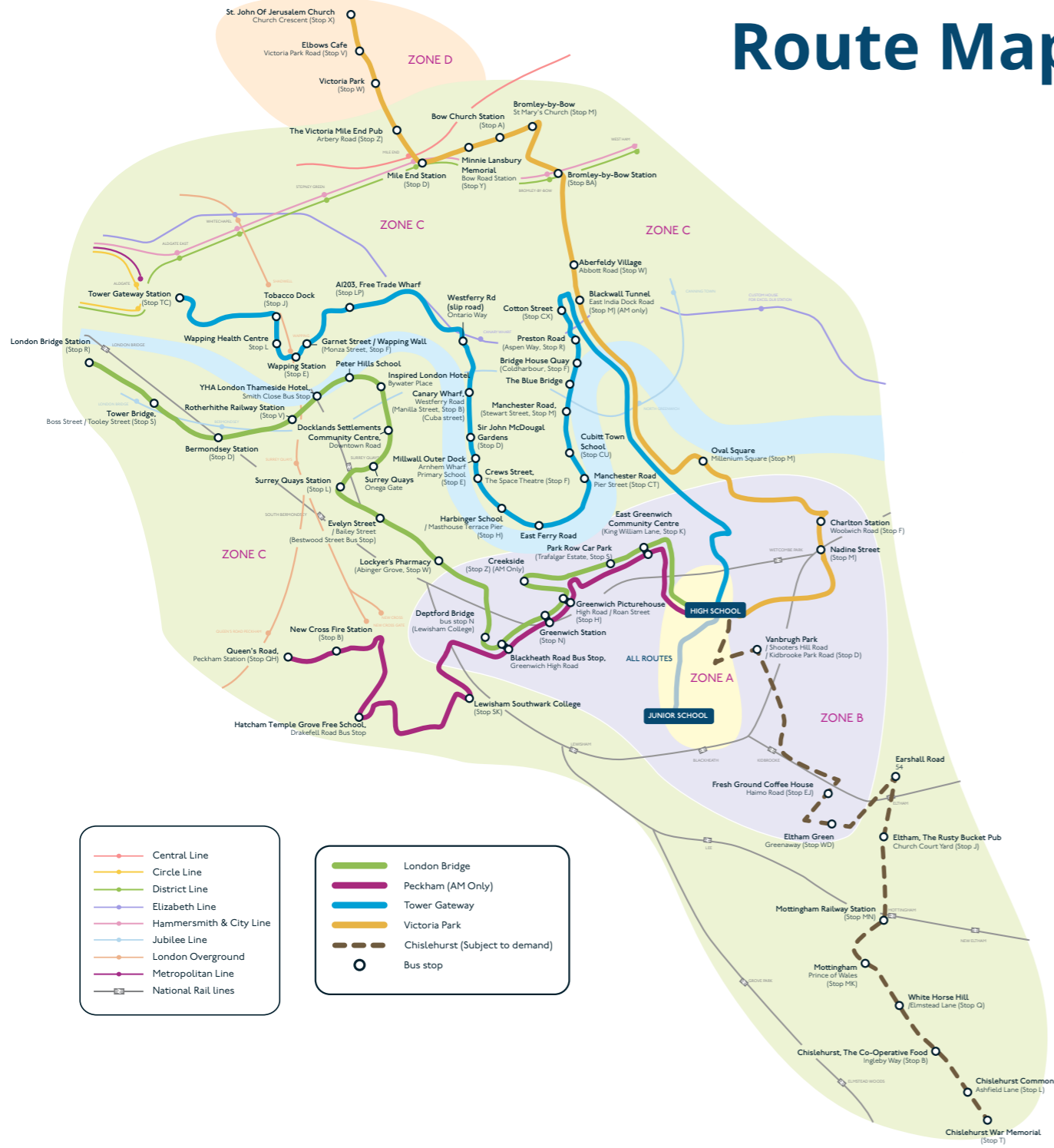
## Taxis

Blackheath High School's recommended taxi operator is Data Cars. Bookings can be made by telephone on 0208 850 0000, or, for a discounted rate, via their booking app, which is available through the Google Play Store and Apple App Store.



# Route Map

# How to Book



1 Scan the QR code or go to [blackheath.vectare.co.uk](https://blackheath.vectare.co.uk) to locate your nearest coach stop and book ad hoc or regular travel









2 Make your booking and get instant confirmation

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# Timetables

## Tower Gateway

Zone	Stop	AM	PM	
C	Tower Gateway Station (Stop TC)	07:10	16:55	
C	Tobacco Dock (Stop J)	07:13	16:52	
C	Wapping Health Centre, Stop L	07:15	16:50	
C	Wapping Station (Stop E)	07:16	16:49	
C	Garnet Street / Wapping Wall (Monza Street, Stop F)	07:18	16:47	
C	A1203, Free Trade Wharf (Stop LP)	07:21	16:44	
C	Westferry Rd (slip road) Ontario Way	07:27	16:38	
C	Canary Wharf, Westferry Road (Manilla Street, Stop B) (Cuba street)	07:30	16:35	
C	Sir John McDougal Gardens (Stop D)	07:32	16:33	
C	Millwall Outer Dock, Arnhem Wharf Primary School (Stop E)	07:32	16:33	
C	Crews Street, The Space Theatre (Stop F)	07:33	16:32	
C	Harbinger School / Masthouse Terrace Pier (Stop H)	07:34	16:31	
C	East Ferry Road	07:36	16:29	
C	Manchester Road Bus Stop Pier Street (Stop CT)	07:38	16:27	
C	Cubitt Town School (Stop CU)	07:39	16:26	
C	Manchester Road, before roundabout jctn Marsh Wall (Stewart Street, Stop M)	07:40	16:25	
-	The Blue Bridge	07:41	-	
C	Bridge House Quay (Coldharbour, Stop F)	07:41	16:24	
C	Preston Road Bus Stop (Aspen Way, Stop R)	07:43	16:22	
C	Cotton Street (Stop CX)	07:45	16:20	
A	Blackheath High School	08:00	16:05	
-	Blackheath High Junior School (Montpelier Row)	08:15	15:50	

## London Bridge

Zone	Stop	AM	PM	
C	London Bridge Station (Stop R)	07:15	16:59	
C	Tower Bridge, Boss Street / Tooley Street (Stop S)	07:24	16:50	
C	Bermondsey Station (Stop D)	07:27	16:47	
C	Rotherhithe Railway Station (Stop V)	07:30	16:43	 
C	YHA London Thameside Hotel, Smith Close Bus Stop	07:31	16:42	
C	Peter Hills School, Bus Stop	07:33	16:40	
C	Inspired London Hotel, Bywater Place Bus Stop	07:35	16:38	
C	Docklands Settlements Community Centre, Downtown Road Bus Stop	07:37	16:36	
C	Surrey Quays - Omega Gate	07:38	16:35	
C	Surrey Quays Station (Stop L)	07:40	16:33	
C	Evelyn Street / Bailey Street (Bestwood Street Bus Stop)	07:42	16:31	
C	Lockyer's Pharmacy (Abinger Grove, Stop W)	07:45	16:28	
B	Deptford Bridge, bus stop N (Lewisham College)	08:01	16:25	 
B	Blackheath Road Bus Stop, Greenwich High Road (PM Only)	-	16:23	
B	Greenwich Station (Stop N) (PM Only)	-	16:21	
B	Greenwich Picturehouse, High Road / Roan Street (Stop H)	-	16:19	
B	Park Row Car Park (Trafalgar Estate, Stop S)	07:57	16:13	
B	Creekside (Stop Z) (AM Only)	08:00	-	
B	East Greenwich Community Centre (King William Lane, Stop K) (PM Only)	-	16:11	
A	Blackheath High School	08:10	16:05	
-	Blackheath High Junior School (Montpelier Row)	08:25	15:50	

Please note that bus 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 email at [blackheath@vectare.co.uk](mailto:blackheath@vectare.co.uk).





## Victoria Park

Zone	Stop	AM	PM	
D	St. John Of Jerusalem Church, Church Crescent (Stop X)	07:29	16:40	
D	Elbows Cafe, Victoria Park Road (Stop V)	07:30	16:37	
D	Victoria Park (Stop W)	07:31	16:35	
C	The Victoria Mile End Pub, Arbery Road (Stop Z)	07:33	16:32	
C	Mile End Station (Stop D)	07:35	16:29	
C	Minnie Lansbury Memorial, Bow Road Station (Stop Y)	07:37	16:27	
C	Bow Church Station (Stop A)	07:39	16:25	
C	Bromley-By-Bow, St Mary's Church (Stop M)	07:42	16:23	
C	Bromley-By-Bow Station (Stop BA)	07:45	16:21	
C	Aberfeldy Village, Abbott Road (Stop W)	07:47	16:19	
C	Blackwall Tunnel, East India Dock Road (Stop M) (AM only)	07:49	-	
C	Oval Square, Millenium Square (Stop M)	07:58	16:12	
B	Charlton Station, Woolwich Road (Stop F)	08:00	16:10	
B	Nadine Street (Stop M)	08:02	16:08	
A	Blackheath High School	08:05	16:05	
-	Blackheath High Junior School (Montpelier Row)	08:20	15:50	

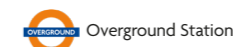
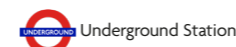
## Peckham (AM ONLY)

Zone	Stop	AM	
C	Queen's Road, Peckham Station (Stop QH)	07:30	
C	New Cross Fire Station (Stop B)	07:34	
C	Hatcham Temple Grove Free School, Drakefell Road Bus Stop	07:37	
C	Lewisham Southwark College (Stop SK)	07:43	
C	Blackheath Road Bus Stop, Greenwich High Road (AM Only)	07:50	
B	Greenwich Station (Stop N)(AM Only)	07:52	
B	Greenwich Picturehouse, High Road / Roan Street (Stop H)	07:54	
B	East Greenwich Community Centre (King William Lane, Stop K) (AM Only)	07:58	
A	Blackheath High School	08:20	
-	Blackheath High Junior School (Montpelier Row)	08:05	

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# Fare Information

	Zone A	Zone B	Zone C	Zone D
Single journey (one off)	£2.97	£7.41	£14.09	£18.54
AM / PM Only (per year)	£177.47	£787.36	£1502.46	£1864.02
Return Travel (per year)	£524.91	£1312.27	£2497.79	£2609.63

Please note that AM only, PM only and return travel passes are paid on a termly basis.



# Terms & Conditions

- This agreement is made between all school bus passengers, their parents and Blackheath High School in order to provide safe, comfortable and civilised journeys for all passengers.
- Arrangements for pupils' journeys to and from the School are the responsibility of their parent(s) or guardian(s). To assist with discharging this responsibility, Blackheath High School provides a School Bus Service. Parents are responsible for their daughter(s) at all times including both prior and after boarding and alighting.
- Transport on the School Bus Service must be arranged in advance and is paid through the school booking website. If you wish for your child to use the School Bus Service on an ad hoc basis, or to vary the details of their bus travel as a one-off, you should book travel via the online website prior to travel. A charge of £2.92, £7.42, £14.09 or £18.54 per single journey is levied for individual trips depending on location.
- Bookings on the School Bus 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.
- Bookings are to be made online via [blackheath.vectare.co.uk](http://blackheath.vectare.co.uk).
- Each pupil for whom an online form has been submitted will be added to a bus list detailing the service they travel on, their bus stop and what travel has been paid for. Their name will appear on a list, which will be checked by the driver.
- 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 daughter to use the School Bus Service. One full 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).
- No pupil is permitted to travel on the School Bus Service if not pre booked for that bus, as they will not be insured to travel. Other arrangements for journeys to and from School must be made by them or their parents.
- Pupils must travel to and from Blackheath High School in full school uniform or a full school tracksuit (except on approved non-uniform days).
- Pupils should be at the bus stop 5 minutes before the scheduled time of departure, to ensure they do not miss the service.
- Good conduct is required at all times. Shouting, use of foul language, dropping litter, playing music, or any other misbehaviour is strictly forbidden.
- Except when embarking or disembarking, all passengers must remain seated with their seat belts fastened correctly.
- Whilst on a School Bus, all passengers must accept without question the authority of a Blackheath High School member of staff, transport company official or bus monitor, 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. The prices are reviewed in the Summer Term and published before the end of the school year to take effect in the Autumn Term.
- Failure to comply with these conditions may result in disciplinary action, including temporary or permanent withdrawal of permission to use the School Bus Service.
- Blackheath 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.
- Pupils must be in Year 1 or above to travel on the School Bus Service.
- Blackheath High School reserves the right to increase the charges for the School Bus Service with effect from the commencement of each term, to reflect any increases in the cost of providing the School Bus Service. Blackheath High School will give not less than one month's prior notice in writing of any increase. Where payment has already been made for the full academic year, payment of any outstanding amount resulting from an increase must be paid through the ParentPay account. In the event of any increase to the charges, parents will be entitled to remove the pupil from 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 funds already paid for the remaining portion of the academic year, without needing to give a full term's notice. Blackheath High School will make every effort to mitigate the need for any increases to the charges during an academic year and will only do so where necessary.



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