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Dear Parents and Carers,

Please read this information about school buses and how to apply for a bus pass.

Council-run buses

If you live in the Comberton catchment area in one of these villages, then your child is entitled to free school transport from September.

Villages eligible for free school transport:

- Grantchester
- Coton
- Barton (only Wimpole Road where the distance to Comberton is more than 3 miles, or the south side of the A603)
- Haslingfield
- Harlton
- Orwell (only if Comberton is closer than Bassingbourn VC)
- Great and Little Eversden
- Kingston
- Bourn
- Longstowe
- Gamlingay
- East Hatley
- Hatley St George
- Caxton
- Caldecote
- Childerley
- Hardwick
- Dry Drayton
- Madingley

If you are eligible for free transport, you will need to apply for a bus pass through Cambridgeshire County Council. You can do this online at:

[Pre-16 transport \(mainstream\) | Cambridgeshire County Council](#)



Please note that the council will only issue a bus pass for one bus per child, and bus passes will only be issued for the child's primary home address (as registered with the school). This applies even when parents live separately within the catchment area. If you would like to appeal this, you can email the Education Transport team at edtransport@cambridgeshire.gov.uk after submitting your application.

If you live within the catchment area but not near an existing bus stop, the council will either try to add a safe pick-up/drop-off point or arrange taxi transport. You still need to apply in either case.

Applications are now open. We encourage you to apply as soon as possible to help ensure your child is allocated a seat on the bus serving your area. Once you receive a pass in August, you won't need to reapply each year unless you move house or have a compelling reason to request a different route.

Please note, the following villages are in a dual catchment with Comberton Village College and another school, and free council transport is **not** available to Comberton, only to the other school:

- Everton
- Abbotsley
- Great Gransden
- Little Gransden
- Waresley

Paid-for seats (Comberton-run buses):

If you live in a village not served by the council run buses above but are served by a Comberton-run sixth form bus, you may apply for a paid-for seat.

Priority for these places is given to sixth form students, but we do our best to accommodate pupils in the main school where possible. Once a seat is allocated, your child will normally keep it throughout their time at Comberton, provided the route remains viable and they do not become eligible for a council-funded place.

The routes and fares for the 2026-2027 school year are still being reviewed. We hope only minor changes will be needed, and we will share updates with applicants as soon as they are confirmed.

As a guideline, you can find the current timetable for all routes—including those contracted by the school—here: [Transport - Comberton Village College](#). Please note, these may change for the 2026-2027 school year.

To express an interest in a place on a Comberton-run bus (with no obligation), please fill in this form: [Bus place request – Fill out form](#)

Kind regards,

Comberton Village College



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