

## Train

The nearest station to school is Port Sunlight, which is 15 minutes' walk away. There are Merseyrail trains every 15 minutes from:

**Ellesmere Port** (toward Liverpool) via Overpool, Little Sutton, Hooton, Eastham Rake, Bromborough, Bromborough Rake, and Spital.

**Chester** (towards Liverpool) via Bache, Capenhurst, Hooton, Eastham Rake, Bromborough, Bromborough Rake, and Spital.

**Liverpool** (towards Chester & Ellesmere Port) via Hamilton Square, Birkenhead Central, Green Lane, Rock Ferry, and Bebington.

You can buy single or return tickets each day, or you can buy a season ticket which will likely work out cheaper – you can find out more about Merseyrail ticket prices and season tickets here: [merseyrail.org/tickets-passes/ticket-calculator](https://www.merseyrail.org/tickets-passes/ticket-calculator)

If you live on the West Kirby or New Brighton lines, you can change trains at Hamilton Square quite easily. If you live in West Wirral such as Upton, Heswall, or Neston, please be aware that the Wrexham to Bidston line only has one train per hour, so bus services may work better for you.

## Cycling to the station

You may find it saves time to cycle to/from the station. You can take your bike on the train free of charge. Merseyrail trains have places to put your bike – look for the doors with a bike logo next to them. It can be difficult to get around the trains during the morning rush hour, so you can instead use secure bike parking at many Merseyrail stations to lock up your bike. Find out more and apply for bike parking keys here: [merseyrail.org/journey-planning/getting-to-our-stations/cycle](https://www.merseyrail.org/journey-planning/getting-to-our-stations/cycle)

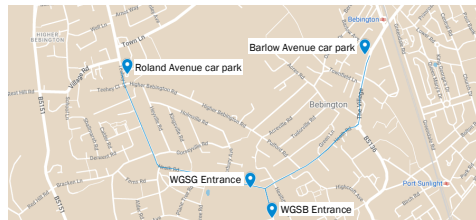
## Car

Please make every attempt to make your own way to school on foot, bike, or public transport if you can, but we understand that might not be possible if you have a disability or injury. However, we ask that parents park considerably – drivers shouldn't stop to drop off pupils on junctions, bus stops, zigzag lines, single/double yellow line, school access gates, or residents driveways.

If you need accommodations to be made due to disability, injury or other mitigating circumstances, please speak with the school office by emailing [schooloffice@wirralgrammarboys.com](mailto:schooloffice@wirralgrammarboys.com) or calling (0151) 644 0908.

You might not be able to make your own way to school if you live far away without good public transport connections to the school. However, the roads near the school can get very busy around the beginning and end of the school day, so please speak to your friends to find out if you could share lifts to school.

Also ask your parents to park at least 10 minutes' walk away from the school, and make the last part of the journey on foot to allow those with disabilities to park closer. Please use the car parks on the junction of Teehey Lane / Roland Avenue and Civic Way. Approx. 8-12 minutes walk from the school.



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More information can be found at: [wirralgrammarboys.com/transport](https://www.wirralgrammarboys.com/transport)



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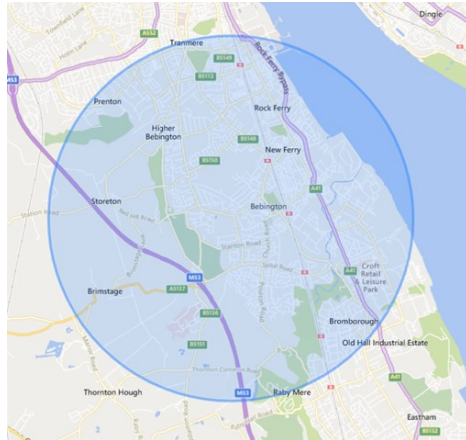
# Getting to Secondary School



Now you're starting secondary school, you might be travelling further and more independently than you did when you were at primary school. This leaflet is to help you choose the best way to get to school on your own or with friends.

## Walking

If you live 2 miles or less from school, walking will probably be the easiest and most straightforward way to get to school, and will take less than 30-45 minutes. You don't need to buy a ticket to use your feet - although it may be worth investing in a good pair of shoes!



Everything in this circle is within 2 miles of Wirral Grammar Schools for Boys & Girls, although your actual route may be a bit further. You can check walking directions and time estimates on Google Maps, but not all shortcuts or pedestrian crossings show up, so it's worth checking for yourself and doing a practice walk. Talk to your friends to find out if you can walk to school together.

## Cycling

If you have a bike, you might find it easier to cycle to school. Even a leisurely cycle ride can be twice as fast as walking, so a 30 minute walk could become a 15 minute bike ride - and more fun, especially if you can ride with friends. Just make sure you allow time to check your bike and put on your helmet before you leave and lock it up safely when you arrive.

## Your Route to School

It's important to plan your route ahead of time so that you can choose the safest way to go - and consider practising your route to and from school before your first day. It'll help to make sure you don't get lost, and so you know how long it will take. Google Maps doesn't always give you the most direct or safe route, so it's worth checking the route yourself. You can download a map of Wirral cycle routes here: [wirral.gov.uk/files/wirral-cycle-map.pdf](http://wirral.gov.uk/files/wirral-cycle-map.pdf)

## Cycle Training

Whether you plan to cycle to school or not, you can take part in the free Bikeability training sessions from the Liverpool City Region, provided by Bike Right. Ask your form teacher how to sign up for training. If you don't yet have a bike to use, Bike Right can provide one on request. Find out more about Bikeability here: [bikeright.co.uk/liverpool](http://bikeright.co.uk/liverpool)

## School Buses

If you live more than a couple of miles from school, there are several dedicated buses which arrive at and depart from the front of the Grammar Schools on Heath Road and Cross Lane. These are operated by Happy Al's Coaches and Selwyns Travel:

- 601** (AM) - from Eastham Village via Bromborough
- 602** (PM) - to Eastham Village via Bromborough
- 626** (AM) - from Birkenhead North via Prenton Rd West
- 627** (AM) - from Oxton via New Ferry  
(PM) - to Birkenhead North via Rock Ferry & Prenton Rd West
- 652** (AM & PM) - to/from Moreton Shore via Upton Village
- 653** (AM & PM) - to /from Thingwall Corner via Heswall
- 662** (AM & PM) - to/from Heswall via Raby Village
- 663** (AM & PM) - to/from Thingwall via Heswall

Find out more about school bus routes and times here: [merseytravel.gov.uk/bus/buses-serving-schools](http://merseytravel.gov.uk/bus/buses-serving-schools) (Click on Wirral Grammar Schools.)

## Public Buses

Although school buses serve many areas of Wirral, there might be a public bus that stops closer to your home. These bus routes stop near the school on Cross Lane or Heath Road:

**16/16A/17** to/from Spital, via Bromborough, Eastham, Brookhurst, and Raby Mere or to/from Moreton & Saughall Massie via Upton, Prenton, and Bebington

**464** to/from Liverpool via Birkenhead or to/from New Ferry

**487** to/from Liverpool via Birkenhead or to/from Neston & Little Neston via Thornton Hough

These stop near Bebington Railway Station (approx. 15 minutes' walk from school):

**38/38A** to/from West Kirby via Moreton, Bidston, Claughton, and Birkenhead or to/from Eastham via Bromborough, and Bromborough Pool.

**410** to/from New Brighton, via Liscard, Poulton, Birkenhead, and Rock Ferry or to/from Clatterbridge

**418** to/from Birkenhead via Bidston, Beechwood, Upton, Woodchurch, and Prenton.

Usually these will be a maximum of £2 for a single ticket, although season tickets may be cheaper over a whole week, month, or year. You can find more information about public buses here: [merseytravel.gov.uk/customer-information/routes-and-maps](http://merseytravel.gov.uk/customer-information/routes-and-maps) (Click on Wirral Map)

## DID YOU KNOW?

Travelling independently (to school, or visiting friends, shops, etc.) is linked to increased wellbeing —and even educational attainment.