

27<sup>th</sup>, August, 2008

Dear Parents,

### **NEW BUS ROUTES**

Please find attached the new bus routes. Each year, as new girls join and old girls leave, we take the time to re-evaluate the bus routes to make sure that they are running at their optimum capacity and efficiency. We try very hard to keep the changes to a minimum and ask that parents are patient in the first weeks of term whilst the bus drivers try to adapt to their new schedules. Your bus driver will keep you informed of any changes. Please double check your pick up and drop off times and places as these may have been changed from last term.

As many of you will be aware our bus routes are becoming increasingly popular and last term we started to experience problems with buses being over subscribed. To combat this we have purchased another 17 seater bus for the A1 route, however, the bus will still be over subscribed for leave out week ends and half terms and holidays when the boarders wish to use the bus. We will try to accommodate as many as possible but I must stress that pre-booking for the bus must be made through the office and regular day girl users will be given priority.

We are becoming increasingly concerned with the amount of luggage being brought back to school as the buses are not designed to carry all the suitcases thus blocking the aisles which is a potential health and safety hazard. If your child has a lot of luggage on any given journey could you please check with the driver to see how much space is available and if there is not enough room we would be grateful if you could bring your daughter in. Please remember that boarders can return the night before school starts.

Next to the route timings I have included the bus route fares for September which have increased slightly due to rising costs, please bear in mind that the last price increase was made in January 2006. Queen Mary's also offers a subscription. If £50 per term is paid in advance a reduction of £1 per trip will be made. (Only advantageous if a regular user). There is also a sibling discount of 50%.

If you would like to calculate whether or not the bus could save you money in running costs the AA mileage allowance costs are calculated at 40p per mile.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me on 01845 575 051.

Yours sincerely,

Carolyn Collin  
School Secretary

**LEYBURN - David Fryatt**  
**Mobile: 07947 459 472**  
**Home: 01845 523 325**

<b>Pick up/Drop Off</b>	<b>Time am</b>	<b>Time pm</b>	<b>Cost per Trip</b>
Leyburn	7:30	17:10	£4.60
Middleham	7:35	17:00	£4
East Witton	7:40	16:55	£4
Masham	7.55	16:45	£4
Nosterfield Pub	-	16.35	£3.50
Thornborough Corner	8.05	16:30	£3
Queen Mary's School	8.30	16.20	

**A1 ROUTE – Peter Cartman**  
**Mobile: 07866 793 184**  
**Home: 01845 524 739**

<b>Pick up/Drop</b>	<b>Time am</b>	<b>Time pm</b>	<b>Cost per Trip</b>
Hurworth	7:30	17:20	£4.50
Barton (Truck Stop)	7:45	17:10	£4.50
Middleton Tyas	7:50	17:00	£4.50
Catterick	8:02	16:50	£4.50
Leeming	8:10	16:40	£3.00
Queen Mary's School	8:30	16:20	

**NORTHALLERTON - Gordon Hatton**  
**Mobile: 07749 810 946**  
**Home: 01845 578 242**

<b>Pick up/Drop</b>	<b>Time am</b>	<b>Time pm</b>	<b>Cost per Trip</b>
South Otterington	7:20	17:25	£3.50
North Otterington	7:30	17:15	£3.50
Northallerton (Tesco)	7:44	17:10	£4.50
Northallerton (Broomfield Ave)	7:46	17:06	£4.50
Thornton Le Beans	7:52	17:00	£4.50
Borrowby	8:00	16:50	£1.75
South Kilvington	8:05	16:45	£1.75
Thirsk (Cocked Hat Park)	8:10	16:40	£1.75
Queen Mary's School	8:30	16:20	

**HELMSLEY - Rita Lamb****Mobile: 07764 186 350****Home: 01845 501 512**

<b>Pick up/Drop</b>	<b>Time am</b>	<b>Time pm</b>	<b>Cost per Trip</b>
Helmsley	7:35	17:15	£4.50
Hambleton Hotel	7:50	17:00	£3
Sutton Under Whitestonecliffe	8:00	16:50	£1.75
Carlton Miniott	8:15	16:35	£1.75
Baldersby St James	8:20	16:30	£1.75
Queen Mary's School	8:30	16:20	

**RIPON – George Foster****Mobile: 07742 558 180****Home: 01845 578 626**

<b>Pick up/Drop</b>	<b>Time am</b>	<b>Time pm</b>	<b>Cost per Trip</b>
Knareborough Road	7:25	17:32	£4.50
Ripley (Bus Stop)	-	17:25	£4
Bishop Monkton	7:47	17:08	£3.50
Bishop Monkton	7:50	17:05	£3.50
Littlethorpe	7:55	-	£3
Ripon Grammar School	8:03	-	£3
Ripon Bus Station	-	16:35	£3
Ambulance Station (Clock Tower)	8:07	-	£3
A61	8:13	16:27	£3
Queen Mary's School	8:30	16:20	

**KNARESBOROUGH - Bill Dunnigan****Mobile: 07840 761 757****Home: 01845 527 840**

<b>Pick up/Drop</b>	<b>Time am</b>	<b>Time pm</b>	<b>Cost per Trip</b>
Kirkby Overblow (pub)	7.30	17:30	£4.50
Allerton Park (lay by)	7.45	17:15	£4
Farnham (Church Yard)	8.00	17:00	£4
Aldbrough (May pole)	8.13	16:45	£3.50
Boroughbridge (High Street)	8.20	16:35	£3.50
Queen Mary's School	8.30	16:20	