

Walking Bus September 2026

Morning and Afternoons

The number of staff to attend will depend on the number of children, working on a 1-10 ratio.

There will be a minimum of 2 staff attending the walking bus.

A member of the Graitney SLT is required to always be present on the walking bus. If a child comes into difficulty on the walking bus the SLT member of staff will direct a member of staff to seek help from school staff to assist with the safe removal of the other children.

A minimum of one member of staff attending the walking bus must be paediatric first aid trained but ideally all staff to be first aid trained as this is good practice. All staff are trained in Anaphylaxis.

New children to be instructed on the safety and expected behaviour on the walking bus.

Register to be completed of those who attend the walking bus for that session.

Staff to use internal gate and not the road unless the playground is not accessible or risky due to extreme weather conditions. If unable to access the internal gate and it is required to use the pavement between the two school gates, children will attend a little later when the pavement and roads will not be so busy. Although, this will make the children late to start the day it will be a safer method. If using the pavement, children to be as far away as possible from the road.

Internal gate is accessed through the junior playground through the five-bar gate and down the slope. Staff to be aware that the few steps leading to the internal gate can become slippery during wet/wintry weather conditions.

Children to be led to the infant school using the rope. Each year group will have their own marked rope. Children to have their hands sanitised before touching the ropes and the ropes are sanitised at the end of each session.

One member of staff will lead each year group in the afternoon.

All children to wear high visibility jackets that they have been given to keep in their book bags. Spare high visibility jackets to be kept in the walking bus bag.

In the morning children are dropped off in the main hall and are required to make their own way to their classrooms. Reception children are watched as they leave the hall to make their way to their classroom.

In the afternoon children are greeted by members of staff in the hall. These children are brought to the hall by their teacher or a member of the Infant School staff. All children will be sat in their year groups.

If a child attends an after-school club within the school or has a late return from a school trip a member of staff from the Infant School will bring the children to the internal gate where they will then be met by a member of the Graitney Team.

Graitney Club

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Staff are required to take with them:

- Walking bus register
- Mobile phone
- Contacts
- First Aid Kit
- Required medication for any children attending the walking bus
- Epi-pens will be attached to a member of staff in a named belt bag.
- Hand sanitiser