

getting to & from **The Abbey School** by bus

2026/27



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welcome on board

This guide tells you everything you need to know about buses to & from The Abbey School. Our range of **Boost** fares for young people makes it easy to work out which is the right ticket for you, and you can use our wider network of buses at no extra cost.

great features



we use a fleet of modern buses, most are fitted with free WiFi and USB charging, so you can stay online on the move.



on most dedicated school routes we use regular drivers – they're all Disclosure & Barring Service (DBS) checked for your peace of mind, and most of our buses have CCTV.



we have a great range of passes for individual terms or the whole year, so there's no need for your child to carry cash. You can pay upfront for an annual ticket or set up a subscription for 7 or 30 days travel for your child.



all buses have GPS on-board, so you can track the bus live on an interactive map and see when it's due to arrive.

download our free app from the App Store or Google Play.

BOOST verification

you'll need to
verify your identity
to activate Boost tickets.

see reading-buses.co.uk/boost-verification

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Our tickets and passes are great value and simple to understand, great news for students and parents. Details of them are on this page.

The right zone, the right ticket

Your school bus tickets and fares are designed to reflect which fare zones you travel in. If your school is in the **simplyReading** zone (and you are travelling exclusively within this zone) then you will need to buy the **simplyReading** products and tickets; if your journey starts and ends in the **simplyReading plus** zone, then you will need to buy a **simplyReading plus** ticket; if your journey starts or ends in the **simplyNetwork** zone, then you will need to buy a **simplyNetwork** ticket. Within each zone, it's easy to choose the best ticket for your needs – as we have fares for a single journey all the way up to an annual ticket.

The best prices are available on a **smartcard** by buying either our **term passes** (1 September to 31 December, 1 January to 31 March, and 1 April to 31 July), or an **annual ticket** which is valid for 365 days from the moment you receive it. We also offer the choice to pay for weekly or monthly tickets by subscription through our mobile app.

Buy your smartcards at reading-buses.co.uk/tickets. You can also buy your tickets at the **Reading bus shop** in the Broad Street Mall, Reading, on our **mobile app** or even pay by **contactless** on the bus for tickets available **from the driver**.

The table below shows you which tickets and passes you can buy and where they are available. Longer term tickets are not available on bus, but can be bought online or on our app.

what ticket?	how to buy	simply Reading	simply Reading plus	simply Network
single trip max fare	bus or app	£2.40 £2.50	£3	£3
10 single trips	online or app	£19	-	-
1 day	bus or app	£4.30 £4.50	£5.50 £5.80	£6.80
7 day	online or app	£15.50	£20	£23.50
30 day	online or app	£54	£70	£82
term	online or app	£185	£239	£281
annual	online or app	£555	£717	£815

Reading bus shop

The Reading bus shop is in the Broad Street Mall, Reading and has our friendly, knowledgeable colleagues who will be happy to help you understand your buses and tickets. Our opening times are Monday to Saturday 9.00am to 5.00pm. The bus shop has different prices to our online shop and app.

what ticket?	simply Reading	simply Reading plus	simply Network
7 day	£17.50	£22	£25.50
30 day	£57	£73	£85
term	£205	£249	£291
annual	£575	£737	£835

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Central Reading | The Abbey School

via Royal Berkshire Hospital

to school		am
 Central Reading Station Road stop SA		7.50
Central Reading Market Place stop MA		7.52
Eldon Road		7.59
 Allcroft Road (for school)		8.06

from school		pm
 Allcroft Road (for school)		4.08
Central Reading Duke Street stop MH		4.19
Central Reading Minster Street stop MP		4.20
Central Reading St Mary's Butts stop CL		4.23

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Central Reading | The Abbey School

via London Street

to school		am
 Central Reading Blagrove Street stop EK		8.02
Central Reading Market Place stop MA		8.04
 Kendrick Rd Crown Pl Passage (for school)		8.10

from school		pm
 Kendrick Rd Crown Pl Passage (for school)		3.56
Central Reading Duke Street stop MH		4.00
Central Reading Minster Street stop MP		4.01
Central Reading St Mary's Butts stop CR		4.03

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Arborfield Green | The Abbey School

via Arborfield Cross & Shinfield

to school		am
Arborfield Green Harvest Path		7.26
Arborfield Green Sheerlands Road		7.28
Arborfield Cross The Swan		7.34
Shinfield School Green		7.41
Shinfield Road Beech Road		7.59
 Allcroft Road (for school)		8.09

from school		pm
 Allcroft Road (for school)		4.07
Shinfield Road Beech Road		4.20
Shinfield School Green		4.32
Arborfield Cross The Swan		4.38
Arborfield Green Sheerlands Road		4.43
Arborfield Green Harvest Path		4.46

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Lower Earley | The Abbey School

via Rushey Way & Chalfont Way

to school		am
Lower Earley Chilcombe Way		7.53
Lower Earley Chatton Close Asda		8.04
Lower Earley Chalfont Way Circle		8.09
Christchurch Road Christchurch Green		8.20
 Kendrick Rd Crown Pl Passage (for school)		8.25

from school		pm
 Kendrick Rd Crown Pl Passage (for school)		4.03
Christchurch Road Christchurch Green		4.09
Lower Earley Chalfont Way Circle		4.21
Lower Earley Chatton Close Asda		4.25
Lower Earley Chilcombe Way		4.30

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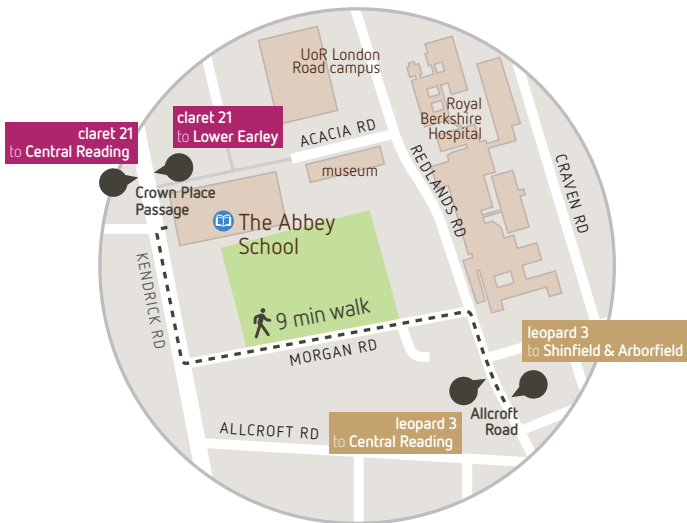
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Caversham Park | The Abbey School via Caversham Heights & Caversham Library

to school	am
Caversham Park Devon Drive	6.44
Caversham Heights St Andrew's Church	6.57
Caversham Heights Shepherds Lane	7.07
Caversham Heights St Peter's Avenue	7.08
Caversham Library	7.20
Ⓢ Kendrick Rd Crown Pl Passage (for school)	7.34

from school	pm	pm
Ⓢ Kendrick Rd Crown Pl Passage (for school)	3.58	4.58
Caversham Road Fire Station	4.04	5.04
Caversham Library	4.16	5.16
Caversham Heights St Andrew's Church	4.21	5.21
Caversham Heights Shepherds Lane	4.26	5.26
Caversham Heights St Peter's Avenue	4.30	5.30
Caversham Park Earlsfield Close	4.46	



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MereOak park&ride | The Abbey School via Three Mile Cross, Spencers Wood & Shinfield Road

to school	am
MereOak park&ride	7.07
Three Mile Cross Post Office	7.10
Spencers Wood Fullbrook Avenue	7.18
Shinfield School Green	7.23
Shinfield Road Beech Road	7.38
+ Royal Berkshire Hospital main entrance	7.56
Ⓢ UoR London Road (for school)	7.58

from school	pm
Ⓢ Eldon Road (for school)	3.30
+ Royal Berkshire Hospital main entrance	3.32
Shinfield Road Beech Road	3.57
Shinfield School Green	4.10
Spencers Wood Fullbrook Avenue	4.17
Three Mile Cross Post Office	4.22
MereOak park&ride	4.25

route 80 has been withdrawn due to low usage, however route 81 has been extended to compensate and ensure students still have an easy way to get to and from school.