

Home-School Pupil Transport Guidance



In accordance with the Department of Education guidelines, parents and carers have a legal responsibility to ensure their child attends school and as part of this they will need to facilitate their child's travel to school. Parents/carers responsibility also extends to ensuring that their child is collected, on time, at the end of the school day by an authorised adult.

Bradford council has a transport policy to support parents with pupils who have SEND or live more than 3 miles away from their nearest available school. Information can be found at: <https://www.bradford.gov.uk/schooltravelpolicy>.

School has a limited amount of resources and has no legal responsibility to transport pupils to school. Therefore, school is unable to provide general support and help with transport of pupils except in exceptional circumstances and at the discretion of the Head/Deputy Headteacher.

Support with transport will only be provided for a maximum of 10 school days per academic year (actual duration of support may be much shorter i.e. 1 day) and has to support a sustainable long term solution to a pupil's attendance.

Examples when support with transport may be provided:

- A parent/carer or child injures themselves and they can no longer walk to school.
- A family emergency ie a sibling having to attend hospital for an injury.
- To develop a positive attendance pattern at school (limited to 10 school days or less).
- The parent/carer has a sudden illness that prevents them from bringing their child to school.

Transport will only be provided for the least amount of time to allow for parents/carers to make alternative arrangements. All transport arrangements will be reviewed on a daily basis and may be cancelled without prior warning due to shortages of staff or when alternative arrangements by the parents/carers could have been organised.

Transport will not be provided due to work commitments of parents/carers; alternative childcare arrangements should be made.

As stated previously the school has no legal responsibility to transport pupils to school however we do recognise that family emergencies do occur and therefore will do our best to support the attendance of pupils at school.

All requests for transport should be made verbally to the Pastoral or Inclusion Manager.

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Next review date: January 2020