

St Aidan's and St John Fisher School Transport CODE OF CONDUCT

To make everybody's bus journey as enjoyable as possible, St Aidan's C of E and St John Fisher Catholic High School ask Parents/Guardians and Students to undertake to accept the code of conduct:-

WAITING FOR THE BUS TO SCHOOL

- Students should queue sensibly and away from the road.
- Students should get on the bus in a calm and orderly manner.
- Parent/Guardian should ensure that their child is at the bus stop in good time to catch the bus.
- Parent/Guardian should ensure that their child knows what to do if the bus is late or does not turn up, i.e. traffic, road works or accidents.

ON THE BUS

- Students should clearly show their pass to the driver or pay for their ticket (service bus only).
- Students should find a seat and stay seated for the journey – Students are not to move around on the bus for safety reasons.
- Students should fasten their seat belt (where applicable) for safety reasons.
- Students should not distract the driver except in an emergency.
- Students should not cause damage the bus.
- Students should always behave sensibly throughout the journey.
- Students should never touch the emergency exit except if instructed to do so in the case of an emergency.
- Students should never leave their bag(s) in the aisle
- Students should remove all rubbish and place in a bin bag provided by the bus company

GETTING OFF THE BUS

- Students should not move to exit the bus until it comes to a complete standstill at a designated stop.
- Students should not cross the road until after the bus has moved off and the student can see the road clearly in both directions. If a pedestrian crossing is available students should use this means to cross the road.

Behaviour on Home to School Transport

The main responsibility for ensuring good behaviour on home to school transport lies with the students themselves. It also lies with parents or guardians, St Aidan's C of E High School or St John Fisher Catholic High School and the bus contractors in cooperation

The schools will work closely with the bus companies to ensure that unacceptable behaviour on the buses is dealt with appropriately.

Complaints that involve students, will normally be investigated by the school. If pupils are found to have behaved in an unacceptable manner then any of the normal range of sanctions used by the school may be applied.

Parents are respectfully reminded that by registering to use the bus service they undertake to accept the terms & conditions of travel.

Parents should be aware that if their child causes any damage or does not meet the required standard of behaviour on the bus they could:

- Be asked to sit at the front of the vehicle for a set period of time.**
- Be suspended from all school transport services for a period of time. In the case of extreme and persistent behaviour they may be banned permanently from the transport and parents will be expected to ensure that their child attends school.**
- Have their bus pass withdrawn.**
- Be prosecuted by the police.**
- Be required to pay for any damage they have caused.**