

Brooke Weston Academy Transport FAQ for March 2023

1. How much is the bus transport from March 2023

The bus is £165 for **Term 1** (August – October) per child and the cost will be reviewed termly during 2022/23.

2. Can I pay monthly?

Yes. Payment plans are available to support parents, termly, monthly, weekly.

3. Is the amount still £165 for new Year 7 and 12's?

Yes, the amount is the same for all year groups and routes.

4. Can I pay by standing order?

No, payments are to be made using WisePay.

5. Who do I contact for issues or questions about WisePay?

Please email finance@brookeweston.org with any queries or call 01536 396366.

6. My child is in Year 11 and hoping to join the BWA 6th form in September, can I pay for the bus now?

No, you will need to wait until your child has a formal and confirmed offer post results day.

7. What was the price of the bus last year?

The cost of the bus for last academic year was £150 per term.

8. Why has the bus price been increased?

A parental survey was conducted to canvas demand for the school buses, due to the decrease in demand from parents, and the national cost of living rising, the cost has had to increase.

9. Does Brooke Weston Academy subsidise the bus cost?

Yes, Brooke Weston Academy does subsidise the buses in order to support parents. The cost of the bus is based on parental demand, and so if less students use the bus it is more expensive. The cost of the bus is much higher per student than what we are charging and we make no profit from the buses.

10. Who do I contact if I have a financial query in regards to payment for the bus?

Please contact finance@brookeweston.org or call 01536 396366.

11. If I don't pay for the bus in Term 1, can I pay for a place on the bus in Term 2?

For this academic year, due to the potential fluctuation in price and routes, we are only asking parents to pay in advance for one Term at a time. As a result of this, and depending on the route still continuing and spaces on the required bus, you will be able to pay for a place in Term 2, if you have not done so in the previous Term.

12. If I signed up for a place on the bus in Term 1, do I need to continue this in Term 2?

If you no longer need the transport then you can opt out, however parental demand determines the price and routes.

13. When can I pay from?

Parents or Carers will be able to make payments through WisePay as soon as a bus place is confirmed.

14. Do I need to re-book a place even though my child had a place before?

Yes, you will need complete the survey sent out during every term 5.