**Eligibility**

Mounts Bay Academy offer a charged school minibus shuttle service for eligible students who attend the academy. The offer is only open to students where:

* They live beyond 3 miles from the academy, but less than 10 miles, and are not entitled for Local Authority free transport;
* A bus route covers the area where the student lives,
* There are available seats on the bus.

**The price**

The cost of the service is currently based on £3.25 per day and will be charged for each half term period to ease the payment over the year. Payment reserves a seat for your child on your chosen bus route only and is non-refundable for any unused or missed trips- including sickness*.*

*Please note that future prices may change to keep in line with increasing cost.*

Payment for each period should be made no later than the first week of each half-term block

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| **Charged period** | **Days** | **Cost** |
| 8 Sep – 23 Oct | 34 | £110.05 |
| 2 Nov – 18 Dec | 35 | £113.75 |
| 4 Jan – 12 Feb | 30 | £97.50 |
| 23 Feb – 27 Mar | 28 | £91 |
| 14 Apr – 22 May | 29 | £94.25 |
| 1 Jun – 17 Jul | 35 | £113.75 |

**Bus stops and routes**

Bus routes are determined at the beginning of each academic year based on demand. Below is a list of pickup points. Please note, these are not organised into bus routes.

Due to the rurality of West Cornwall and the geographical spread of passengers, bus routes are restricted to main arterial roads only as it is not practical to run our buses to every village or down remote tracts along the routes.

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| **St Ives** | **Hayle** | **West** | **East** |
| Badgers Inn - Lelant | Connor Downs | Sennen Primary School | Praa Sands |
| Costcutter – Carbis Bay | Lidl - Hayle | St Just – Plain an Gwarry | Ashton |
| Tesco - Carbis Bay | RJ Supplies - Hayle | Boscaswell – Crossroads | Breage |
| Leisure Centre St Ives | Hayle Library | Trethewey | Porthleven |
| Leach Pottery – St Ives | Foundry - Hayle | St Buryan – Church |  |
| Nancledra | St Erth Station |  |  |

**Unsuccessful application**

Demand for the service is high and spaces are limited. If your application is unsuccessful you will be placed on a waiting list and offered a place when one becomes available.

**Covid19 Restrictions**

The guidance on social distancing and the wearing of face coverings will be strictly adhered to. Anyone breaking the rules will not be permitted to travel on the bus.

The restrictions for social distancing on the buses will have an impact on planning routes and may result in some delays for pickup and drop-off.

Students are responsible for conducting themselves in a manner that is respectful to others and follow the academy’s behaviour code of conduct when traveling on or waiting for a bus.

This student Code of Conduct sets out the framework for dealing with alleged misconduct. The code applies to all students traveling on school transport.

At the bus stop

* Always be at the pickup point on time
* Maintain 2m distance from other people
* Wait quietly and sensible for the bus in a safe position well back from the road
* Do not go near the bus until it has stopped
* Do not push to get on the bus
* Check it is safe before leaving the bus and keep to safe walking areas

On the bus

* Sit where directed by the driver quickly without pushing
* Wear a face covering at all times on the bus
* Listen to the driver and obey instruction at all times
* Place all personal belonging in a secure place
* Wear a seatbelt at all times
* Remain seated at all times, until the bus has stopped at your final destination
* Do not distract the driver while he/she is driving
* Do not eat or drink on the bus
* Do not use school iPads on the bus
* Do not shout, be unruly, rude, use bad language, fool around, misbehave or be discourteous to the driver or other passengers in anyway.
* Do not damage or leave graffiti on the vehicle or interfere with emergency doors, safety belt fastenings or window fittings- **Parents will be charged for any damage cause by their child**
* Keep the gangway and emergency exits clear at all times
* Take any litter and personal belongings with you when leaving the bus

**We take behaviour and safety very seriously. Any bad behaviour, wilful damage or persistent breaking of the rules will result in either a temporary or permanent removal from the bus service, depending on the severity of the incident.**

**Please ensure you read the Guidance notes and Code of conduct before completing the form**

Please complete in block capitals

**Section 1. Pupil details**

Name of Child: ………………………………….…… Year Group: ……………..

Home address:……………………………………………………………………………………….…….….

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Parent/Carer name:……………………………………………………………………………………..……

Home Tel. No: .……………………………………….Mobile/work Tel N………………….….……….…..

Email address: ………………………………………………………………………………………….……

**Section 2. Travel details**

Please enter your chosen pick-up point from the list

From (pickup point): ……………………………………………………………………………………………

**Section 3. Declaration**

I and my child have read and understood the guidance notes and the code of conduct provided.

I declare that the information given on this form is true to the best of my knowledge.

I (the student) further agree to abide by the rules set out on the code of conduct and understand that poor behaviour or misconduct may result in the withdrawal from school transport.

Signature of Parent/Carer: ………………………………………....…. Date: …………………

Signature of Student: ………………………………………..………….Date: …………………

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| **For official use only**Application approved Yes 🞏   No 🞏 | Bus AllocationBus stop: …………………………………………… |
| Reason for non-approval: |
| Signature of approver: ………………………………………….. Date: ……../……../……….. |