



BEESTON HALL SCHOOL

Transport - Information, Advice and Guidelines during Covid-19

Minibus Travel

- When travelling on a school minibus all pupils and staff **must** wear a face mask at all times.
- Pupils should spread out as much as possible on the bus, the chaperone will organise this.
- At least one window in the front and one window at the back of the bus should be open to allow air flow through the bus.
- Siblings may sit together and as much as possible the same year groups should be grouped together to maintain as much of the bubble system as possible.
- Where possible children should do their own seat belts up.
- Children should as much as possible sit in the same seat each journey.
- The first aid bag on the bus carries PPE should it be needed.
- The minibus is fogged and the door handles are cleaned after each morning journey.

The Government guidance is as follows: A 'Contact' is a person who has been close to anyone who has tested positive for Covid 19 anytime from 2 days before the person was symptomatic up to 10 days after the onset of those symptoms, this is when they are infectious to others. The contact would be required to self-isolate. In relation to transport the Government considers 'contact' to be:

- A person who has travelled in a small vehicle with someone who has tested positive for Covid 19 or in a large vehicle or plane near someone who has tested positive for Covid 19.

Car Sharing

The Government's guidance concerning Car Sharing is as follows. It is difficult to socially distance during car journeys. Where it is essential to car share, you can reduce the risk of transmission by:

- sharing the transport with the same people each time and minimise the group size at any one time
- opening windows for ventilation
- travelling side by side or behind other people, rather than facing them.
- considering seating arrangements to maximise distance between people in the vehicle
- cleaning your car between journeys using standard cleaning products - make sure you clean door handles and other areas that people may touch
- asking the driver and passengers to [wear a face covering](#)
- When finishing your journey wash or sanitise your hands immediately.

We recognise that car sharing is necessary in some cases to allow your child/ren to attend school however, please ensure the above guidelines are followed as far as possible and that as a minimum requirement there are at least two windows in the vehicle partially opened to allow good ventilation.