

BUS STUDENTS 2021

Dear Parents / Caregivers

IF YOUR CHILD IS GOING TO TRAVEL ON A BUS, PLEASE COMPLETE THIS AND RETURN WITH THE ENROLMENT FORM.

In order to assess your child's eligibility to travel on the school buses we need you to indicate which of the following categories your child is in. You can check by using the TEZ map which is available at the school office. If you are using Google Maps to check your distance, please use the shortest option as this is what the area bus controller will use to determine your eligibility.

In 2020 bus fees changed for students catching the bus from **Otorohanga/Kio Kio**. This fee is **\$70** per student per term. Fee for all other bus students is **\$35** per student per term.

If you are in Categories A, or B you need to have the fee paid by the following dates. Reminders will be published in the school newsletter towards the end of each term.

Fees are due by the following dates:

Term 1 fees – end of week 2

Term 2 fees – due last day of Term 1

Term 3 fees – due last day of Term 2

Term 4 fees – due last day of Term 3

Bus tags will be issued once fees have been paid. Apart from Term 1, **ALL FEES MUST BE PAID BEFORE THE NEXT TERM BEGINS.**

Thank you

Lynne Crowe

(Teacher in charge of buses)

A. We live within 3.2km of the school and my child travels on the Town bus.

B. We live closer to _____ school (Ohaupo, Paterangi, Pirongia, Korakonui, Otorohanga, Arohena, Wharepapa South, Pukeatua, Kiokio, Kihikihi, etc) which also provides education for Year 7 & 8 students.

C. None of the above applies. We live _____ km from Te Awamutu Intermediate. **Your distance must be shown if you want to be eligible for this category).**

Child's Name: _____ Room: _____ Year: 7 / 8

Address: _____

Parent / Caregiver Signature: _____



Code of Conduct

This Code of Conduct is between _____ (student),
of (address) _____ (their caregiver),
Go-Bus (bus operator), and **Te Awamutu Intermediate** (school).

The caregiver and the student should ensure they have read and understand this document, which is to be adhered to for the safety of the bus driver and all students travelling on the school bus.

I, _____ (student), agree to abide by the behavioural expectations outlined below:

- I live more than 3.2 km from **Te Awamutu Intermediate and within the TEZ (See Map)**
- If I live outside the TEZ I will pay the ineligible bus fee every term. This fee is set by the Te Awamutu Combined Schools Transport Management Committee.
- When I am a seated passenger, I will remain in my seat for the whole journey.
- I will not eat on the bus or throw anything inside or out of the bus.
- If I am a standing passenger, I will stand quietly and not push or move around the bus.
- I will respect other students and their property at all times (this includes pushing, verbal or physical abuse, or any other behaviour that may distract the driver).
- I will use socially acceptable language when conversing with the driver and/or other students and I will not speak at a volume that may distract the driver.
- I will respect the property of the bus operator at all times (e.g. refraining from standing on seats or damaging the vehicle in any way).
- I understand that any damage I cause to the bus will result in my caregiver being billed for the cost of repairs.
- I will not engage in any behaviour that could put the driver or other students at risk.
- I will observe the requirements and instructions of the bus driver and the teachers responsible for bus duty at all times.
- If travelling on a school bus, I will be attending school on that day.
- I will be in full school uniform (unless it is a Mufti Day or Field Trip day).
- When travelling on a school bus, I must always carry a bus tag and have it available to show the driver/bus controller at any time. (NO TAG NO RIDE)

The safety and comfort of everyone on the bus depends on a standard of behaviour and consideration for others that is expected in the classroom. We hope that caregivers will support the school in maintaining these standards of behaviour and safety.

IF THIS CODE OF CONDUCT IS BROKEN:

- The student is given an oral warning by Bus Controller (details of misconduct will be made clear to the student).
- If there is no improvement, further action will be taken. The Deputy Principal will be informed. Contact will be made with caregiver and the student may be banned from travelling on the school bus for a period of time (maximum of a school week). The Caregiver will be required to find alternate transport to get the student to school.
- In extreme cases of misbehaviour or gross misconduct, Step 2 above will be enforced immediately and the privilege of travelling on a school bus will be withdrawn immediately.

AGREEMENT

I agree to abide by the conditions of this contract and understand the consequences if I do not.

(Signed) _____ (Student) (Signed) _____ (Caregiver)

(Signed) _____ (Principal) (Signed) _____ (Bus Operator)

Date: _____