

TRANSPORT



Most of our pupils walk to school. The Authority's current policy is to pay the travel expenses of those pupils attending the district school who live more than two miles from that school. Forms and further information is available from the transport section (please refer to Useful Addresses section of this handbook)

Bus passes are issued where public transport exists. Contract transport is arranged where there is no suitable public transport. Where there are vacant seats on contract buses, these may be made available to pupils who are attending the district school and who are not normally entitled to free transport; however a charge may be made for this service.

Travelling expenses are also met in the case of any pupil whom the Authority requires to attend a school other than the district school, if the pupil meets the distance qualification. Where appropriate, free travel is provided for pupils receiving special education.

Consideration may also be given to requests for assistance with travel in exceptional circumstances, e.g. where the road between home and school is deemed dangerous by the Authority, and where there is no public transport available. Parents who choose to send their children a school other than their catchment school, will not receive assistance in relation to travel to and from school.

HEALTHY SCHOOL MEALS / MILK

At Lawfield, we encourage and support the concept of Healthy Eating. We are committed to encouraging children to make informed healthy eating choices through our 'Healthy Eaters' initiative. The Education Authority and Midlothian Catering Services aim to promote healthy choice and balance in our children's eating habits, both in our school meals service and through the school curriculum. By working together, we provide our children with the life skills necessary to make informed healthy choices.



If you are sending a Packed Lunch with your child, we would ask you to support us in our aim to encourage Healthy Eating. Please do not include sweets, chewing gum or fizzy drinks. We are happy to provide advice and support about Healthy Packed Lunches.

Pupils having either school meals or their own packed lunch both enjoy lunch together in the dining area. Lunch times are supervised with reasonable manners and eating habits are encouraged and expected from all. The Positive Relationships, Positive Behaviour, Positive Learning Policy applies in the Dining Hall.

Menu Lists

Midlothian Catering Services regularly send home advance menu sheets and our school website updates the menu weekly. Parents have found this useful as it gives the opportunity to discuss the menu with their son or daughter. Many of the children regularly bring a cut-out of this menu sheet to hand to the dinner ladies. The cost of a two-course meal, as of August 2015 is £1.80 for P4 - 7 pupils. All P1-3 children are entitled to a free school lunch.