### **SCHOOL BUS FAQs**

Are you sick of the long queues outside school for pick-up? Do you want to add another hour to your productive day before your children get home? Do you want to teach your children valuable life skills? Do you want to reduce your family's carbon footprint but the walk to school is too far? Get your children on the bus!

#### Who is allowed to ride the bus?

These buses are only for students. The uptake is primarily from Mosman Public School but private school students and Mosman High students are also allowed to ride. Paid parents may accompany their child from time to time (e.g. first time riders).

#### How much does it cost?

Years K-2 ride for free regardless of the distance travelled. Years 3-6 would need to check if they can apply for a school bus pass which would allow your child to travel free to and from school. You need to live a minimum distance from the school to be eligible. 1.6km straight line or 2.3km walking or further. https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/transaction/apply-school-travel-pass

Alternatively, a normal child/concession Opal card works too. A bus fare is around \$1.60 per trip.

### How do I know which route my child takes?

Below is a list of all the bus routes. If you want to see the actual stops on the route head to the AnyTrip app and take a look as they are clearly marked (e.g. For bus **561** search for **561n** on app).



The 'n' denotes that is a dedicated school bus route).

### How does my child get on the bus from school?

The student should notify their teacher in the mornings they intend to ride the bus. All students taking the bus go to the bus waiting bay near Gate 5 area where a school staff member supervises their boarding of the bus.

## What happens if my child misses the bus?

If your child doesn't make the bus in time, they are instructed to go to the school office where a parent or carer will be called to collect them.

# What happens if they miss their stop?

Have a plan B in place before they ride. If your child doesn't press the bell in time or the driver misses their stop it would be good for parent and child to know what happens next. It's helpful to have your child know a parent's phone number or have it written down somewhere easily accessible for them. It's also helpful for your child to know the streets of their normal stop to assist the driver.



Download the app "ANY TRIP" and track your child's bus real time to see where it's at (e.g. For bus 561 search for 561n on app. The n denotes a school bus route).

## Who is responsible for my child when riding the bus?

All parents and carers are responsible for their children when travelling to/from school. The school helps facilitate the use of the school buses but is not responsible for your child once they have left school grounds. Polite, courteous and safe behaviour is expected and should be encouraged by all Mosman Public School students using the school bus at all times.

# Is there a school bus that stops close to my home? After school buses

Depart from Myahgah Rd entrance, Mosman Public School

- 560 Florence St Cremorne via Spofforth St
- 562 Musgrave Wharf via Ragland St
- 567 Esplanade Balmoral via Ragland St
- 561 Clifton Gardens via Bradley's Head Rd and Prince Albert St
- 586 Georges Heights via Middle Head Rd

# Before school buses

Arrive at MPS, Myahgah Rd entrance



- 560n Depart Florence St Cremorne via Spofforth St
- 563n Depart Beauty Point via Spit Road
- For detailed route information, departure and arrival times download the free 'Any Trip' travel app.
- In the search bar at the top enter 'Myahgah Rd, Mosman Public School' In the search bar at the top of the screen to display all the scheduled departures and arrivals via Mosman Public School.
- Select "Active Vehicles" tab at the bottom of the screen and enter the route number to show live progress of
  the bus once it is in progress. This is a great way to accurately track the bus and get an accurate arrival time
  at any given stop.
- It's always best to meet your child at the bus stop to ensure they alight safely.

An alternative app with similar mechanics is NextThere. You search the bus route with bus number followed by 'n'.

NB. The school is not responsible for late, cancelled or intermittent services. Complaints should be made to transport NSW: <a href="https://transportnsw.info/contact-us/feedback/bus-feedback/">https://transportnsw.info/contact-us/feedback/</a> bus-feedback