

Code of Conduct

For all school pupils/passengers on school bus services.

Our goal at Pearsons is to provide a safe, comfortable travel experience for everyone. Please take your child/student through the expectations in our Code of Conduct below and sign to confirm that you accept and agree to the Code.

Pupil Details	Parent Custodian Details
Pupil name & age:	Your name:
School attending:	Email & Contact Telephone:
<i>Pupil signature: (optional)</i>	Signature:

Respect and safety

- All passengers should follow the instructions of the driver and bus supervisor at all times.
- Treat others with kindness and respect. *No verbal abuse of students, driver, other parents or teachers or other pedestrians or motorists.*
- Bullying is not acceptable in any form, including verbal, by digital device or physical force.

Onboard behaviour

- Remain seated while the bus is moving
- Always wear your seatbelt if one is provided. *Students can be fined by police if stopped/checked.*
- Keep aisles clear and avoid running, pushing, or standing on seats.
- Keep noise to a reasonable level to avoid distracting the driver. *No foul language/swearing/loud or sudden noises/music/yelling*
- Do not eat, drink, or litter on the bus. Chewing gum is expressly prohibited.
- Do not damage the bus or its fittings. *Any damage may need to be paid for.*
- Appropriate clothing and footwear must be worn at all times.
- Do not bring unsafe or hazardous substances on board, by law (no vaping, smoking, lighters, matches, fireworks or explosives, weapons of any kind, poisonous, toxic, flammable items)
- Appropriate clothing and footwear are always required on the bus.
- No roller skates, skateboards or scooters can be brought on our services (safety risks)

Devices and media

For privacy and other reasons no photos or videos of passengers or bus drivers are to be taken (on or outside the bus) and shared on social media or with media.

Consequences

Inappropriate behaviour will not be tolerated and could mean a student is removed from a bus service temporarily or permanently. You may face the cost of repairing any bus damage.

Ongoing or serious issues may see action by the school and/or police.