



## **School Bus Service September 2020**

We are looking forward to welcoming the students back school and strongly urge all parents to make use of this bus service, as this will greatly reduce congestion outside of school and help us keep strict social distancing measures. Parents who use the service are able to avoid rush hour congestion which will be severely restricted next term due to quarantine legislation.

There are three bus services to bring pupils safely to and from school and the routes are regularly reviewed and new stops added to meet the needs of our families. We are also very pleased to report that there has not been a fee increase in the subsidised school bus service and would strongly recommend parents to consider using this service.

### **Cost**

	Return	One-way	Single
Los Gigantes	€145.00	€80.00	€5.00
Callao Salvaje	€124.00	€67.00	€4.30
Adeje / Fañabé / Golf del Sur	€110.00	€57.00	€3.70
Las Americas / Los Cristianos	€105.00	€55.00	€3.60
Chayofa	€64.00	€35.00	€2.30

We will be unable to allow parents onto the school premises as of September which will lead to further delays in the traffic flow when coming and going from school.

If you would like to try the service we would be pleased to offer a free journey – space permitting. Please contact the school office and request your free journey giving the collection/destination point, the name and year group of your child.

The more children that we have using the bus the cheaper we can make the service.

We have very reliable and responsible bus guides on each bus which look after the children and will ensure that the regulations for the safety of the bus are adhered to. They each have a mobile contact number should we need to make contact with the buses and are able to advise parents if they are running late.

The school bus company, Sierra y Gonzalez operating in Tenerife for 42 years have provided us with their COVID protocol which can be found via the following link

<https://www.wingateschool.com/docs/Presentaci%C3%B3n%20Seguridad%20Sierra%20Y%20Gonzalez%20en.pdf>

Masks will be obligatory for everyone except for children under the age of 6 years.

## **Reasons for using the School Bus Service**

**School Bus Service:** The school is committed to supplementing the cost of the school bus service to ensure that the costs are kept to a minimum.

**SAVE** having the extra driving stress of the morning and evening school run

**SAVE** on fuel and costs of car wear and tear

**GAIN** on child supervision time – each bus comes complete with a bus supervisor

**REDUCE** congestion in Cabo Blanco and by the school. The buses are well controlled and safe and cover all coastal areas from Golf del Sur to Los Gigantes. The full bus routes can be found on the website.

**PROTECT** yourself and your children from mass conglomerations of people outside of school

## **COVID SAFETY REGULATIONS**

All children will be tested for a fever before gaining access to the bus – parents are asked to wait until their temperature has been taken and the bus guide has confirmed that they can access the bus before leaving the bus stop

Children will be seated with other children from their class wherever possible with a designated seat on the bus

All children (from the age of 6 upwards) and adults will wear a mask

Buses will be cleaned before and after each service using the recommended disinfectant

The buses are fitted with Hispacold ECO3 air purifiers

Children will be taken straight from the bus to their classrooms so that they are not mixing with other children in the school that are not in their class.

## **Bus Routes**

**The link for the bus route is <https://www.wingateschool.com/en/busroute>** however, should your area not be on this route please contact the school office, it may be possible to add further stops to the route.

Parents that are interested in the bus service please enrol your child by completing and signing the form that can be found via the link <https://www.wingateschool.com/en/generalinfo> scan and returning via email to the school office [theoffice@wingateschool.com](mailto:theoffice@wingateschool.com)