



# Westmead Catholic Community Transport Access Guide

Term 3 2026



## About Westmead Catholic Community

Located in Westmead Health and Education precinct, three schools are located on the Westmead Catholic Campus: Parramatta Marist High, Catherine McAuley and Sacred Heart Primary School.

Built on the values of worship, innovation, diversity and learning, the Westmead Catholic Community project is building new and upgraded facilities at 2 Darcy Road, to meet the needs of families now and into the future.

To increase the number of students on campus, our planning approval places a limit on the number of daily car movements to and from the campus. We are lucky to have a number of different transport options for students traveling to school. Based on our 2025 transport assessment, 55% have at least one active or public transport option:



**39% of  
students**

1,047 live within **800 meters** or a 10 minute walk of a public or school bus to school



**8.5% of  
students**

230 live within **1.6 kilometres** of the campus, less than a 20 minute walk



**8.4% of  
students**

228 live within within **800m** or a 10 minute walk of a train to **Westmead station**

[View Transport options on maps provided](#)

### Getting to School Mornings (AM)

**Key**

- 1** Stop 2145608 School Specials  
Routes: 2044, 8005, 8008
- 2** Stop 214518/214519 from South  
705, 711, 818, 824, 2083
- 3** Stop 2145560 from Parramatta  
660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665
- 4** Stop 2145559 from North West  
Routes: 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665
- 5** Stop 2145181 from West  
Routes: 705, 711, 818, 824, 8007, 9039

- T** Westmead Train Station  
T1 North Shore & Western, T5 Cumberland
- L** Westmead Light Rail  
L4 from Carlingford

- B** Bus Stops
- Island Crossing
- Pedestrian "zebra" crossing
- Signalised crossing
- Shared User Path
- Walking Routes
- Pedestrian entry
- Vehicle site entry gate
- Vehicle site exit gate
- Staff vehicle entry only
- K<sup>1</sup>** Primary School  
Drop-off and pick up
- K<sup>2</sup>** Secondary School  
Drop-off and pick up



### Getting Home Afternoon (PM)

**Key**

- 1 **Stop 2145608 School Specials**  
Routes: 2530, 7515, 7517, 7520, 8610, 9630, 9632
- 2 **Stop 214519 going West**  
Routes: 705, 711, 818, 824, 2540, 2558, 2570, 2574
- 3 **Stop 2145560 to North West**  
Routes: 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665
- 4 **Stop 2145559 to Parramatta**  
Routes: 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665
- 5 **Stop 2145181 going East**  
Routes: 705, 711, 818, 824, 2652, 3650
  
- T **Westmead Train Station**  
T1 North Shore & Western, T5 Cumberland, BMT Blue Mountains
- L **Westmead Light Rail to Parramatta**  
L4 Carlingford
  


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## Which travel pass do you need?



### Students are eligible for free or reduced cost travel

Most of our students are eligible for free or discounted travel from home to school and back using public transport through the Subsidised School Transport Scheme. This is a cost saving measure for students.

If you need to travel to work or extracurricular activities, you can not use the school card for these trips. You will need to sign up for an Opal card.

Opal cards can be ordered online and delivered to an Australian address within 5 to 7 business days. Opal cards are also available over the counter from retailers, including most convenience stores and newsagents.



### Here's the link to sign up for the school travel pass

## Planning your trip



Using the [transportnsw.info/trip-planner](https://transportnsw.info/trip-planner) shows which routes and services are closest to you.

To make sure every option available shows up, click the **'Refine'** link and manually select the **'school bus'** box along with your desired arrival time and trip preferences.

After entering **'From'** your address, use **'Parramatta Marist High School'** for your destination in the **'To'** box for the most options.

Ensure you are using a school day when you test trip options. You may find more options and shorter trip times if you walk further.

Plan your trip on the [Trip Planner link](#).

**Step 01**

Open **Trip Planner** from the link above and click on the **Filter** link (1).

**Step 02**

- Select **School Buses** in the **Public Transport Options** (2).
- Press **Apply**.

**Step 03**

- Enter your starting address (3).
- Use **'Parramatta Marist High School'** as the destination (4).

### Tip & Tricks



Entering 'Parramatta Marist High School' will generate the most transport options.

## Using public transport and school buses



There are many public transport and school bus options. Some school buses come onto campus, whilst some stop on-street. It can be confusing to understand where to go until you do the trip a few times. Familiarise yourself and your student with the available options. When using on-street bus stops, the stop you use in the morning is not the stop you use in the afternoon. Please refer to pages 2 and 3 for morning and afternoon bus stop locations for your route.

### Morning Buses

#### 2 Stop Number 214519

- 705 Parramatta – Blacktown
- 711 Parramatta – Blacktown
- 818 Westmead – Merrylands
- 824 Westmead – Parramatta
- 2083 Westmead – Wentworthville

#### 5 Stop Number 2145181

- 705 Blacktown – Parramatta
- 711 Blacktown – Parramatta
- 818 Merrylands – Westmead
- 824 Parramatta – Westmead
- 8007 Seven Hills – Westmead
- 9039 Seven Hills – Westmead

#### 4 Stop Number 2145559

- 660 Castle Hill – Parramatta
- 661 Blacktown – Parramatta
- 662 Castle Hill – Parramatta
- 663 Rouse Hill – Parramatta
- 664 Rouse Hill – Parramatta
- 665 Rouse Hill – Parramatta

#### 1 Stop Number 2145608

- 2044 Baulkham Hills – Wentworthville
- 8005 Wentworthville – Wentworthville
- 8008 Westmead – Wentworthville

#### 3 Stop Number 214560 from Parramatta

- 660 Parramatta - Castle Hill
- 661 Parramatta - Blacktown
- 662 Parramatta - Castle Hill
- 663 Parramatta - Rouse Hill
- 664 Parramatta - Rouse Hill
- 665 Parramatta - Rouse Hill

### Afternoon Buses

#### 2 Stop Number 214519

- 705 Parramatta – Blacktown
- 711 Parramatta – Blacktown
- 818 Westmead – Merrylands
- 824 Westmead – Parramatta
- 2540 Westmead – Toongabbie
- 2558 Wentworth – Norwest
- 2570 Toongabbie – Northmead
- 2574 Parramatta – Toongabbie

#### 5 Stop Number 2145181

- 705 Blacktown – Parramatta
- 711 Blacktown – Parramatta
- 818 Merrylands – Westmead
- 824 Parramatta – Westmead
- 2652 Wentworthville – Westmead
- 3650 Northmead – Westmead

#### 4 Stop Number 2145559

- 660 Castle Hill – Parramatta
- 661 Blacktown – Parramatta
- 662 Castle Hill – Parramatta
- 663 Rouse Hill – Parramatta
- 664 Rouse Hill – Parramatta
- 665 Rouse Hill – Parramatta

#### 1 Stop Number 2145608

- 2530 Westmead – Toongabbie
- 7515 Westmead – Merrylands
- 7517 Greystanes – Smithfield
- 7520 Westmead – Merrylands
- 8610 Toongabbie – Baulkham Hills
- 9630 Westmead – Greystanes
- 9632 Westmead – Pemulwuy

Using the 7 or 8 digit bus stop number in **tripplanner** can return more options. Make sure you click 'refine' and select 'school bus' as an option.

To access information for public bus routes and running times, visit the Trip Planner at [transportnsw.info](https://transportnsw.info)

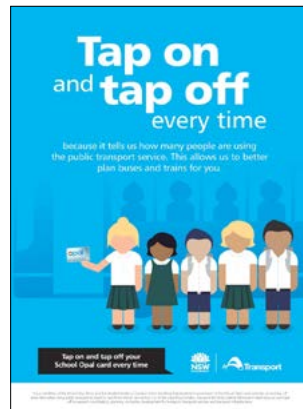


## Using the free travel pass



When travelling on public transport, it's important you tap on and off every time to ensure good data is available to the planners at Transport for NSW. The data helps identify busy routes that are full and which may need more frequent services.

Planners also use data to decide which bus route or services are redundant.



## If you see something, say something – resolve issues by reporting problems you see



It can be confusing to figure out who to tell if a bus is late or if the footpath is blocked by a shopping trolley. If you notice problems on your way to or from school, the SnapSendSolve app and website have tools to easily report it. You don't have to know who needs to fix it, the app will help you categorise the problem and distribute the problem to the appropriate agency to resolve it.

Reporting is helpful, as other agencies may not be aware that something needs fixing.

After reporting, it can still take some time to fund a footpath repair or replacement – so say something when you see it using the [website](#) or [app](#).

## Discounted insurance for bicycle riders



By joining Bicycle NSW, families are covered by insurance when riding a bicycle. The organisation also has discounted bicycle maintenance days and local rides.

[Sign up here](#)

## Creative bicycle storage at home



In the questionnaire, you told us that it is difficult to store a bicycle at home. Artiko Designs are one of many space efficient bicycle storage solutions available.

Visit [Artiko Designs](#) and use the code **frank15** at the check out.



## Kiss-and-drop operations for 2026

### How to use the on-site kiss-and-drops



To ensure the safety of all students, staff and visitors to the Westmead Catholic Community Campus the following rules are in place:

- The speed limit of 10km/h must be adhered to
- There is a two-minute stopping limit for drop off and pick up. Please recirculate if you are waiting longer.
- Parents are asked to remain in or within 3 metres of their vehicle at all times.
- Students must enter and exit from the kerbside door only, ensuring they are able to do so independently and without any assistance.
- Traffic marshal instruction must be followed at all times.
- Students must use designated crossings and footpaths.
- To improve access, safety and traffic flow across the Westmead Catholic Community Campus, a kiss-and-drop has been delivered at Gate 1. The new facilities are for high school staff, students and visitors only. This is a one-way system, with vehicles entering at Gate 1 and exiting at Gate 2.

#### Note

Students with primary school siblings can collect their brother/sister in front of the primary school administration office. Both students can be collected via the primary school Kiss and Drop.

Pick-up and drop-off along Farmhouse Road, Darcy Road, Hawkesbury Road or Bridge Road is not permitted and will likely attract a fine from council and/or Transport for NSW.

## Primary school kiss-and-drop



To drop off or pick up secondary students, use the designated bays at K2 by entering at Gate 1 and exiting at Gate 2. Primary students use the designated kiss-and-drop bays adjacent to the Marist oval.

### Morning drop-off

Enter and exit via Gate 3 off Darcy Road. Do not queue across the red marked bus zone on campus. Do not queue on Darcy Road.

Please drive to the front of the kiss-and-drop area (marked K1 on the map) to allow other students to be dropped off.

### Afternoon pick-up

Students will be grouped by surnames in relevant zones. Parents are to have a student-allocated identifier displayed on their windscreen. A supervising staff member will call out the relevant student. To allow traffic to flow efficiently and reduce emissions adjacent to the school, do not arrive before 2:45pm to prevent congestion.

Students with surnames starting with A–H must be picked-up from the blue bus zone between 2:45pm–3:00pm. From 3pm, all students will move to the yellow kiss and drop zone.

Students with surnames starting with I–Z must be picked-up from the yellow kiss and drop zone from 2.45pm.

Overflow pick up is available in the green zone adjacent to the Marist oval, if your student is not ready, drive around to the green zone.



## High school student kiss-and-drop



Primary students use the designated kiss-and-drop bays adjacent to the Marist oval.

### Morning drop-off

All high school students must be dropped off via Gate 1 off Darcy Road. Do not queue on Darcy Road.

Use the designated bays at K2 for all high school students. Please drive to the front of the kiss-and-drop area (marked K2 on the map) to allow other students to be dropped off. Help guide your student to have all of their belongings ready to go.

Exit via Gate 2 at Darcy Road.

### Afternoon pick-up

Unless they are meeting a younger sibling at K1, all high school students must now be picked-up from the kiss-and-drop at K2. Enter via Gate 1 off Darcy Road. Do not queue on Darcy Road.

Gate 1 will remain closed until 2:50pm (M, T, W, F), and 2:30pm on Thursdays. Parents and carers must not arrive earlier than gate opening times to allow traffic to prevent traffic congestion on Darcy Road.



### Remember, the Road Rules always apply



U-turns are not permitted. Buses have right-of-way. Double parking is not permitted

Do not disrupt the road network or bus operations by undertaking drop-off or pick-up in any other location.

Council enforce kerbside operations throughout Westmead. This is not revenue-raising. Choosing to disobey the Road Rules is illegal because it is unsafe for you and your student.

**Be a good neighbour.**