

First Education and School Travel

Our Education and School Travel Team specialise in arranging bespoke educational day trips. From your first contact with us we will assign you a dedicated Group Travel Co-ordinator to help you plan every aspect of your school trip.

First Travel Solutions will find you a real value for money, safe, reliable and fully supported travel option.



Travel Safely by Road and Rail

Travel by coach or rail or a combination of the two, the option is yours. Your group will be collected from school and taken to Blackburn Railway Station where they will embark on a Northern Rail scheduled service. Enjoy the geographic features of the Ribble Valley, taking in the landmarks of Whalley Abbey and its Viaduct, Pendle Hill and Clitheroe Castle.

Our Stay Safe worksheet explains the five golden rules of bus safety and will keep your group entertained during the journey with wordsearches and puzzles, which can be used to support this programme.

Please visit our teaching zone website on www.teachingzone.org/first



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First Travel Solutions is part of the FirstGroup of companies, the UK's largest surface passenger transport company carrying 2.7 million passengers every day.

We use our extensive expertise to manage the travel and package needs of primary and secondary school groups, universities, special interest groups and we even provide logistical support to several major railway companies.

For more information

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Key stage 1 & 2
Primary School
Educational Visits

First 
transforming travel

Education Days

On the Moove!



Exploring Local History
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Get onboard for adventure and learning

Key stage 1 & 2 local history day trip packages for primary schools

Our 'On the Moove' day trip packages are designed to offer your group the opportunity to experience hands-on local history in a range of diverse and contrasting locations, whilst being within easy reach of school. We provide travel by both road and rail and, in addition to participating in the educational elements of the programmes; your group are actively encouraged to consider the adventure attached to travel, with a view to broadening horizons and raising aspirations.

Travelling involves your group experiencing new scenarios and offers an opportunity to promote the appropriate and required behaviours that are beneficial to both learning and life.

The curricular linked content of the day visit adds an exciting and fun element to learning, encouraging participation and communication and also adding practical experience to support ongoing theory work.

Day visit packages such as these provide many positive experiences for children as widely promoted by the DCSF in their Learning Outside the Classroom manifesto.

Working closely with our delivery partners, we arrange the most appropriate education provision on your behalf. Booking this package requires the minimum of planning time for you. Simply let us have the dates you would like to make your visit, your choice of activities, the size of your group and any special requirements and we will do the rest.



Choose from a combination of activities below:

Blackburn Museum (half day)

Spend half a day visiting the treasures of Blackburn Museum, see the Egyptian Mummy, enjoy the South Asian culture and the collection of world beetles. View the interactive World War Two exhibition – do you know how many bombs were dropped on Blackburn?

Blackburn Cathedral (half day)

Learn all about the history of Blackburn Parish Church and Cathedral, the religious meaning of the building and its furnishings. Delight in the works of art and objects of interest and curiosity. Follow the 'Cathedral Creatures' trail – you'll need to look for them in all sorts of odd places.

Whalley Abbey (half day)

Enjoy a guided tour of Whalley Abbey. Let the monks walk you through the grounds and ruins, explaining how the community lived hundreds of years ago.

Clitheroe Castle (half/full day)

Take a tour of the museum and explore the hands-on galleries, collections and displays which reveal amazing stories and take you on a journey through 350 million years of history. Choose from specialist activities: geology, castle and keeps, maps past and present to suit your individual school requirements.

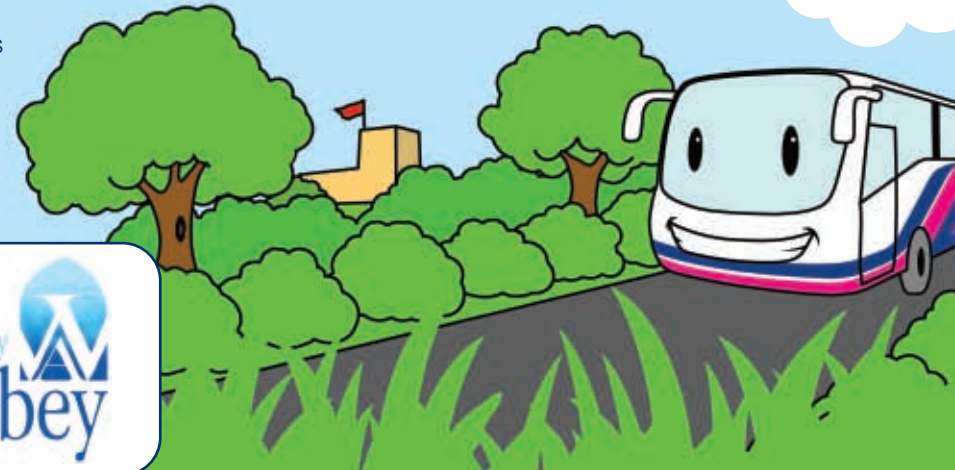


What do we do?

We arrange transport to and from school, we make all of the package arrangements for the various activities on your behalf and provide you with one simple booking form, one invoice and a travel pack that includes all relevant licensing and risk assessments... it could not be easier!

Packages include:

- Travel to and from school
- Guided tour at each activity – worksheets included
- Dedicated space to enable your group to eat their lunch
- Suitable lavatory facilities available for use



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