

## Meadowbank Public School and Marsden High School

Travel Access Guide

## Introduction

Our school community of parents, staff and students live within a reasonable walk, cycle or bus trip of the school. This Travel Access Guide provides suggested safe and accessible options for travelling to school.

## Active ways to get to school

#### Walking to and from school



- Walking is a fun way to keep active and healthy.
- When walking, watch out for any potential hazards, including cars reversing out of driveways, bikes and other pedestrians.
- Remember to STOP, LOOK, LISTEN and THINK before you cross.

### Ride your bike



- To support cycling to school, 16 staff and 262 visitor/student spaces with racks are provided for bicycles, and 42 scooter spaces for primary school students.
- Please wear a helmet!
- Reminder: children under the age of 16 are allowed to cycle on the footpath, keeping them safer and more protected from road traffic.

## **Kiss and Drop expectations**

 For parents who drive their child/ren to school, the Kiss and Drop zone is located along Rhodes Street starting from Hermitage Road.

Effective: Tuesday 26 April 2022

- This space is a 'No Parking' zone, meaning that you may stop for up to a maximum of 2 minutes.
- Parents/carers must remain within your vehicle in the Kiss and Drop zone at all times.

## Message from our Principals

- Meadowbank Public School and Marsden High School support sustainably and environmentally friendly transport practices.
- We strongly encourage our school community to walk or ride a bicycle to school either independently or with parental supervision.

## **School Bell Times**

School	Start Time	End Time
Meadowbank Public School	8:45 am	2:45 pm
Marsden High School	9:00 am	3:00 pm

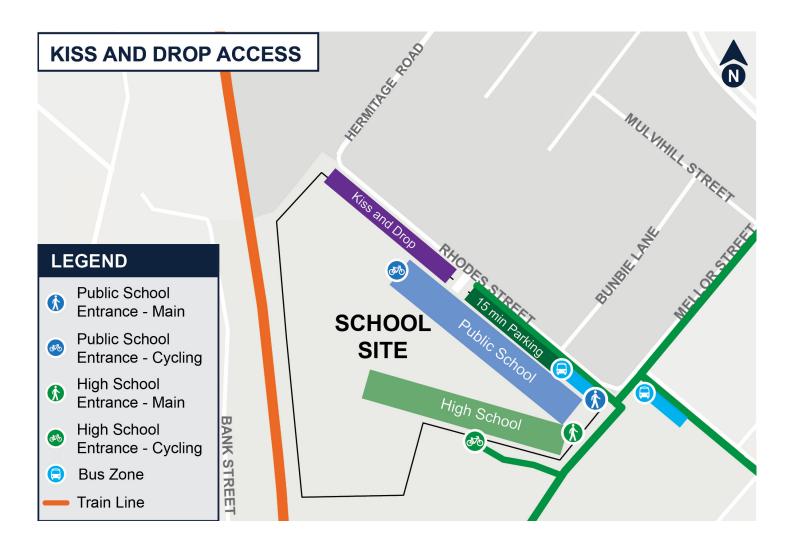
The outside school hour times for the primary school are: 7:00 am - 8:45 am and 2:45 pm - 6:00 pm.

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## Safety tips for drivers using the Kiss and Drop zone

- Always drop off or pick up your child from the designated zone and follow the school's procedures.
- Drivers should remain in their vehicles **at all times** in the Kiss and Drop zone.
- Make sure children use the Safety Door (the rear footpath side door) to get in and out of the car.
- Always park legally.
- U-turns and three-point turns are banned **at all times** in Rhodes Street in front of the school.

## Safety tips for students

- Always get in and out of the vehicle through the Safety Door, the rear footpath-side door.
- Stay buckled up until the vehicle has stopped in the Kiss and Drop area.
- Make sure your school bag and other items are in a safe position, such as on the floor.
- Be ready to get out of the vehicle with your belongings when the car has stopped and you have unbuckled your seatbelt



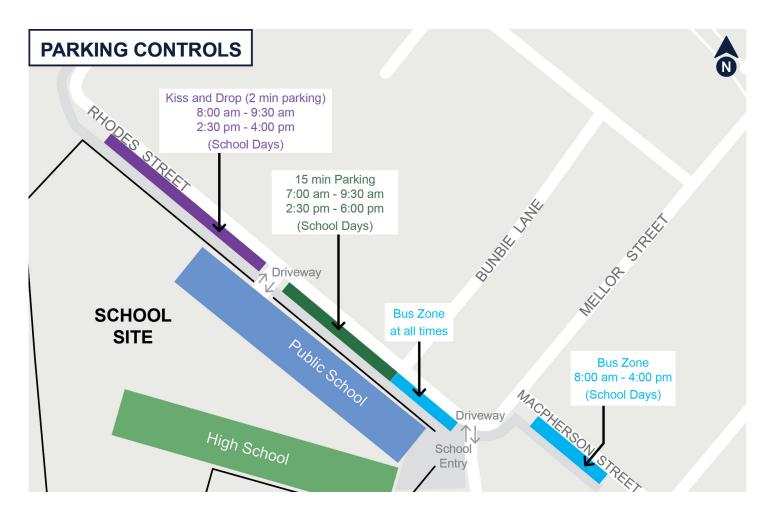


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• In addition to the scheduled bus services using the bus zone in Macpherson Street, the bus zones in Rhodes Street and Macpherson Street will be used by buses for school excursions.

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# Parking and traffic rules in school zones

You need to take extra care when driving and parking in school zones. Make sure that you and your child understand the road rules. If you break the traffic rules in a school zone you are putting not only your child but other children at risk. The parking and traffic rules around our schools are there to protect your children. If you break the rules you will be fined. **Please choose safety over convenience.** 

QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE TO IMPORTANT SAFETY TRAFFIC RULES				
ZONE	WHAT DOES IT MEAN?	WHY IS IT THERE?	PENALTY	DEMERIT POINTS*
NO STOPPING	You cannot stop in a <b>NO STOPPING</b> zone for any reason (including queuing or waiting for a space).	Keeps clear sight lines between drivers and children / pedestrians.	\$349	(School Zone)
	You can stop in a <b>NO PARKING</b> zone for a max. of two minutes to drop off and pick up passengers. If no spaces are available you cannot queue on the road way or in any other zones while waiting for a space. You will need to drive away and park elsewhere, only returning when there is space to pull up. You must stay within 3 metres of your vehicle at all times and cannot leave your vehicle unattended.	Provides a safe place for children / pedestrian set down and pick up.	\$194	(School Zone)
BUS ZONE	You must not stop or park in a <b>BUS ZONE</b> for any reason (including queuing or waiting for a space) unless you are driving a bus. If times are shown on the sign, you are not allowed to stop during those times.	Provides a safe place for large buses to set down and pick up school children.	\$349	(School Zone)
	You must not stop on or within 20 metres before a <b>PEDESTRIAN CROSSING</b> or 10 metres after a crossing unless there is a control sign permitting parking.	So drivers can clearly see pedestrians on the crossing.	\$464 \$1	(School Zone)
X	DOUBLE PARKING You must not stop on the road adjacent to another vehicle at any time even to drop off or pick up passengers.	Double parking blocks visibility and forces other cars to go around you.	\$349	(School Zone)
**	You must not stop on any <b>FOOTPATH</b> or <b>NATURE STRIP</b> , or even a <b>DRIVEWAY</b> crossing a footpath or nature strip for any reason.	You could easily run over a child or force pedestrians onto the road to get around you.	\$194	(School Zone)

**Please note:** The above information is current as of 1 January 2020. Penalties set by NSW State Government and reviewed on 1 July each year.





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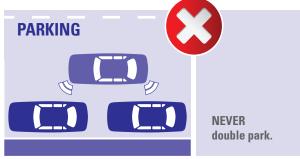




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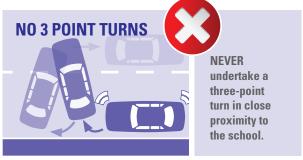












## Safety tips for students:









## **Demerit Points:**

\* The **Demerit Points** Scheme is a national program that allocates penalty points (demerits) for a range of driving offences. A driver who has not committed any offences has '**zero**' points. If you commit an offence that carries demerit points, the points are added to your driving record.

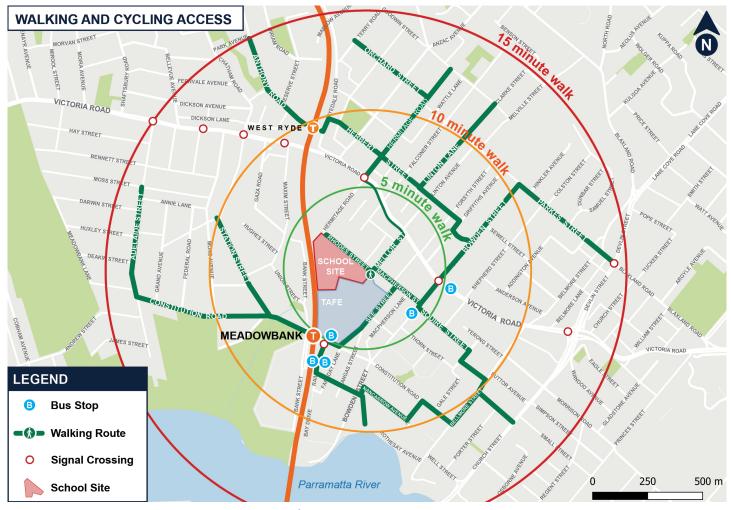
If you incur the threshold number of demerit points within a three-year period, a licence suspension or refusal is applied. The three-year period is calculated between the dates the offences were committed. It ends on the day your most recent offence was committed.

For further information regarding demerit points please visit: rms.nsw.gov.au/roads/safety-rules/demerits/

#### For more information contact:







Please use the Trip Planner at transportnsw.info/ additional information about cycling routes to the school.

# Something broken on the way to school?

Report issues such as illegally parked vehicles, graffiti, broken footpaths or damaged park equipment online, 24/7, via City of Ryde's Report an Issue form.

Visit www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/report to report online or if your request is urgent, contact Council 24/7 on 9952 8222 for assistance.

## Did you know

Walking as a group along these safe routes to and from school is more fun as you can meet others along the way. Parents can participate in these walks.

If you or a member of your family joins Bicycle NSW, you have access to many benefits, such as 15% discounts on bicycle insurance and news about bicycle events in NSW.

Please contact Bicycle NSW at:

#### www.bicyclensw.org.au

Email: info@bicyclensw.org.au

Phone: (02) 9704 0800

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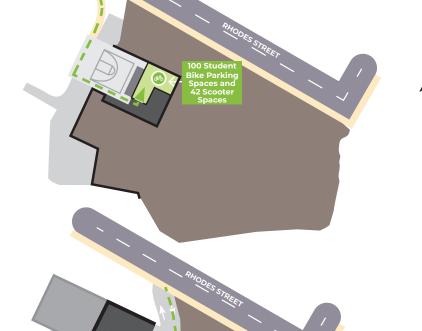






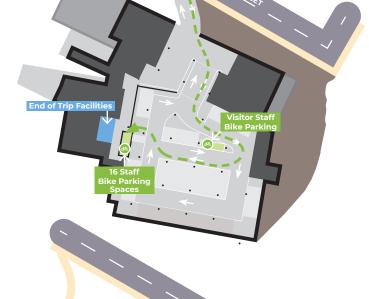
### **Playground Level:**

For students attending Meadowbank Public School



### Car Park Level:

For staff and visitors to Meadowbank Public School and Marsden High School







## **Lower Car Park Level:**

For students attending Marsden High School





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## Where do you ride?

### Footpath/shared path/cycleway:

- Only children under 16 can ride on a footpath.
- Adults supervising children under 16 can also ride on the footpath.
- Be careful of cars entering and exiting driveways.
- Watch out for other riders, pedestrians and animals.

**Look out** for pedestrians on shared paths.





## **Crossing the road:**

- Be extra careful.
- Walk your bicycle when you cross at a pedestrian crossing.



## 3 steps to follow when riding a bike:

Clip, check, chime.
Clip your helmet



You must always wear a helmet when riding your bike.

Check your brakes



Make sure your brakes are working.

Chime your bell

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If you pass another rider or pedestrian, chime your bell.

## Things to remember

- Always ask your parents permission to ride.
- Loose clothing and items can get caught in your wheels. Make sure you wear bright, fitted clothing and secure any loose items, like backpack straps.
- Consider wearing a bright high visibility orange vest over your uniform.





O Shoes with a good tread on the soles will help you grip the pedals and protect your feet. Make sure your laces are tied.



## Always remember to watch out for hazards



- 1 Wet leaves
- 2 Big puddles
- 3 Storm grates
- 4 Gravel or rocks5 Little kids
- 6 Animals
- 7 Changes in the road/ footpath/cycleway surfaces

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# Using public transport to get to school

As shown on the bus route access map, these services are provided:

- By train to Meadowbank Station.
- By bus to Eastwood Station and train to Meadowbank Station.
- By regular bus routes and school special services as listed on the following page.

#### Safety at the Bus Stop

- Keep a path clear on the footpath to allow others to walk past the bus stop safely.
- Allow passengers to get off before you get on.
- Watch your step when getting on and off the bus.
- Use the handrail when boarding.

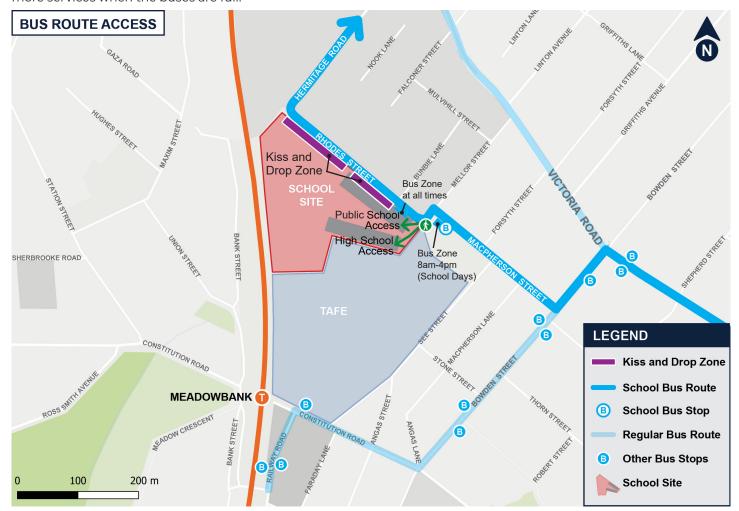
### Apply for a School Opal Card

- The School Student Transport Scheme provides eligible school students with free or subsidised travel from home to school.
- A School Term Bus Pass offers discounted travel on buses between school and home for the whole school term.
- The current cost is \$55 per term, however, the bus pass is free for all Year K-2 students, and Year 3-6 students beyond a 1.6km straight line distance from Meadowbank Public School and 2km straight line distance for Year 7-12 Marsden High School students.
- To get your pass, visit: https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/

Please scan this QR code:



Please tap on every time when you board the bus. Every tap helps Transport for NSW plan for new bus routes and more services when the buses are full.



Please use the Trip Planner at <u>transportnsw.info</u> for more details about bus routes and timetables.

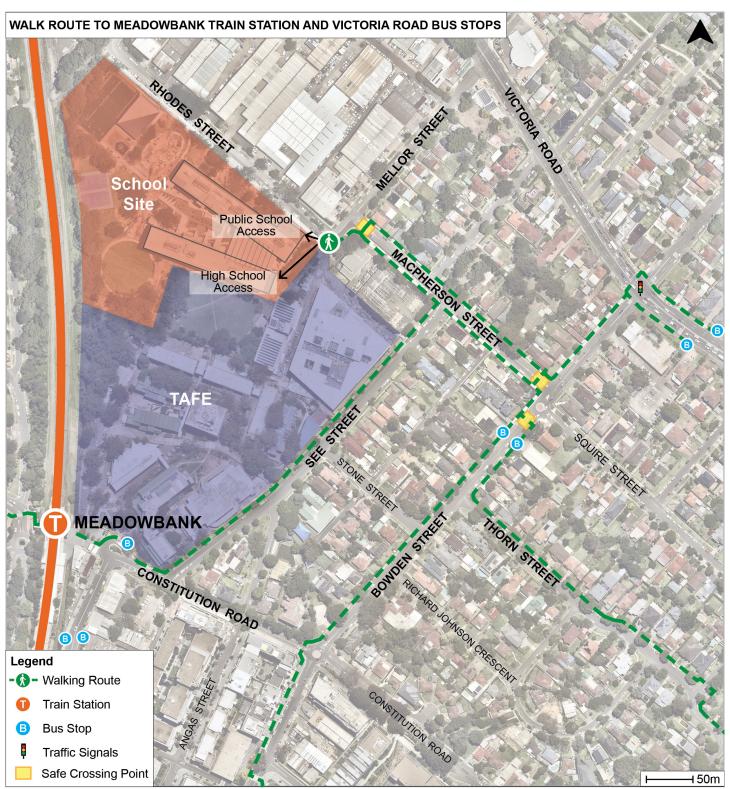
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## **Sydney Trains**





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T9 Train Timetable for School Days at Meadowbank and Eastwood Stations

From Station	To Station	AM School Peak Train Times	PM School Peak Train Times
Eastwood (Platform 1 or 2)	Meadowbank	8:27 AM, 8:35 AM, 8:43 AM	N/A
Meadowbank (Platform 2)	Eastwood	N/A	3:16 PM, 3:36 PM, 3:46 PM

## **Bus Services**



Timetables for Regular Bus Routes to the Meadowbank Schools

Route	Route Name	Closest Bus Stop to Schools	Walk Time to the School (minutes)	AM Arrival Times	PM Departure Times
500X	City Hyde Park to West Ryde (Express Service)	West Ryde Station, Ryedale Road	11 minutes	8:35 AM 8:45 AM	3:14 PM 3:24 PM
507	City Hyde Park and Gladesville to Meadowbank	Meadowbank Station, Constitution Road	4 minutes	8:23 AM 8:43 AM	3:18 PM 3:48 PM
518	Macquarie University to Meadowbank Wharf	Presbyterian Church, Bowden Street	5 minutes	8:22 AM 8:54 AM	3:34 PM 3:49 PM
524	Parramatta to Ryde via West Ryde	West Ryde Station (AM) Victoria Road at Bowden Street (PM)	14 minutes (AM) 5 minutes (PM)	8:00 AM 8:31 AM	3:13 PM 3:42 PM

#### Peak Bus Service for Routes with Transfers at Eastwood Rail Station

Route	Route Name	AM Arrival Times	PM Departure Times
515	Ryde to Eastwood	8:00 AM, 8:15 AM	3:22 PM, 3:42 PM
521	Parramatta to Eastwood	7:57 AM, 8:27 AM	3:35 PM, 4:05 PM
541	Epping to Eastwood	7:42 AM, 8:24 AM	3:25 PM, 4:10 PM
544	Macquarie Centre to Auburn via Eastwood	7:57 AM, 8:27 AM	3:28 PM, 4:00 PM
544	Auburn to Macquarie Centre via Eastwood	7:34 AM, 8:12 AM	3:57 PM, 4:19 PM
545	Macquarie Park to Parramatta	8:23 AM, 8:33 AM	3:17 PM, 3:27 PM
545	Parramatta to Macquarie Park	8:24 AM, 8:34 AM	3:17 PM, 3:33 PM

### AM Peak School and Modified Public Bus Services Stopping at Macpherson Street

Bus Route	Route Description	Arrival Times at Macpherson Street
513 (public)	West Ryde to Carlingford	8:51 AM
523 (public)	West Ryde to Parramatta	8:53 AM
800w	Epping to Meadowbank School via Marsden Road	8:48 AM
802w	Dundas to Meadowbank School via Ermington and Melrose Park	8:50 AM

## PM Peak School and Modified Public Bus Services Stopping at Macpherson Street

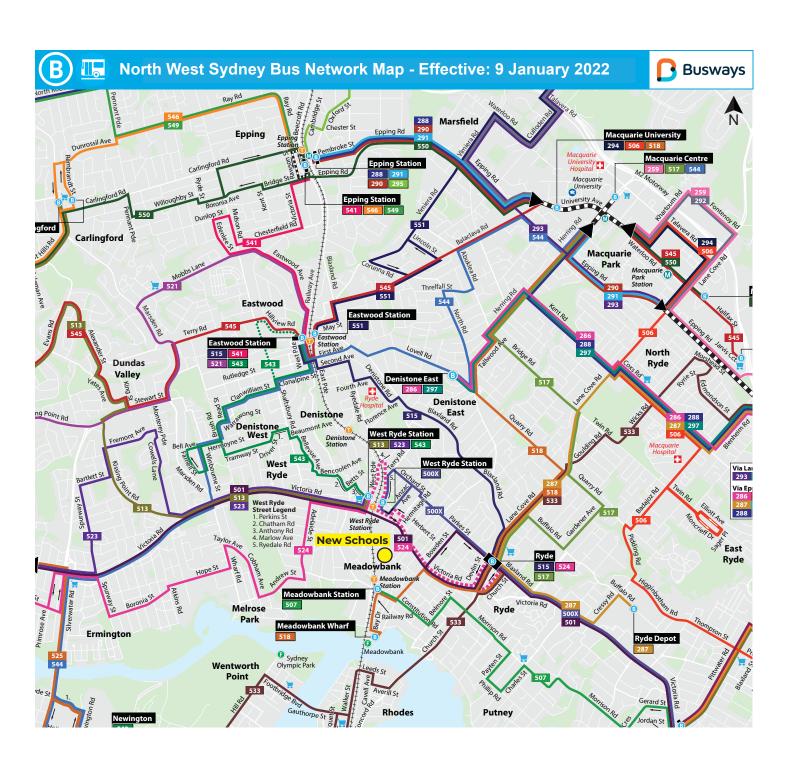
Bus Route	Route Description	Departure Times from Macpherson Street
501 (public)	Central Pitt Street to Parramatta via Victoria Road	3:12 PM
513 (public)	West Ryde to Carlingford	3:12 PM
523 (public)	West Ryde to Parramatta	3:08 PM
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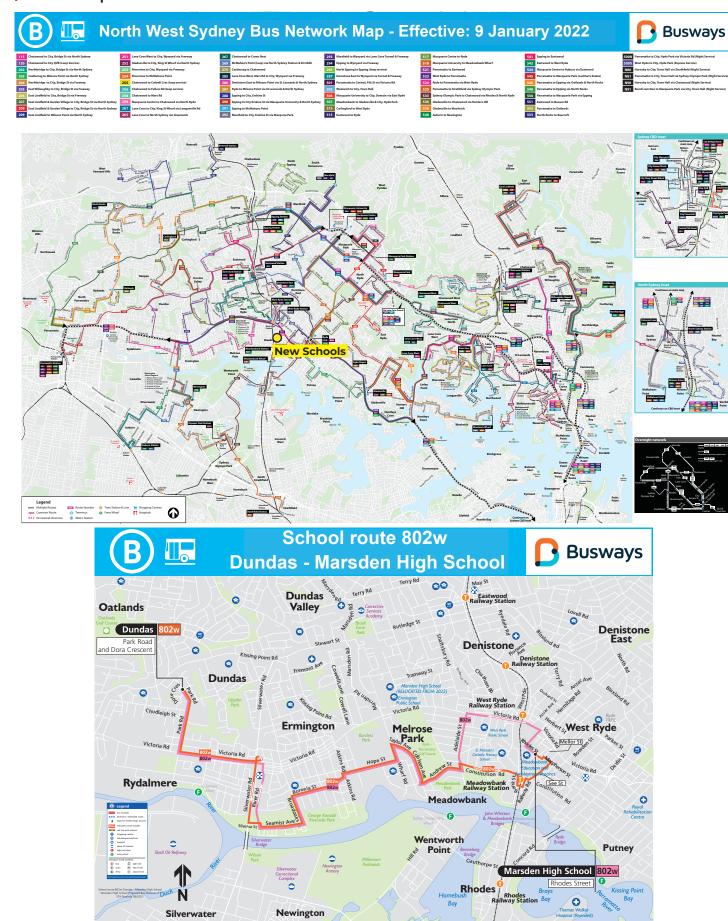




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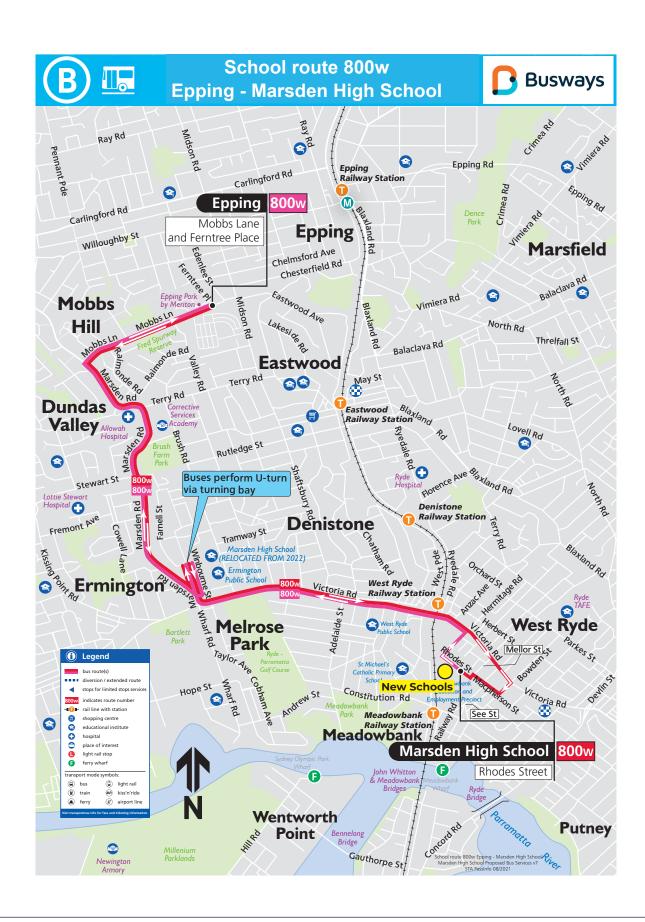


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