

WELCOME WEEK HANDBOOK



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INTRODUCTION



Hi Everyone!

I'm Ezrie and I'm your SU President for this year. I'm entering BVetMed 4, from the Gateway course and am originally from the West Midlands.

This guide has been compiled by your fellow students, and is filled with tips on what to see, where to eat and things to do - hopefully you'll find it useful.

Please feel free to contact me or any of our other SU officers if you have any questions or concerns. We're here to make your time at RVC the best it can be.

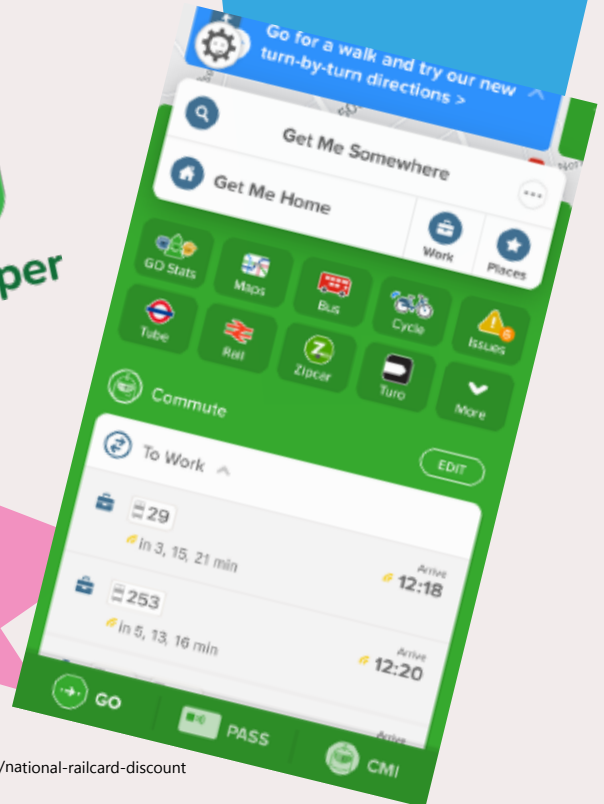
A big RVCSU welcome,
From,
Ezrie and the 2023-24 SU Team

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GETTING AROUND LONDON



Before travelling around London, I highly recommend downloading the Citymapper app to your phone. It allows you to see public transport routes and can even help you book taxis. It also shows you the distance using a Santander bike.

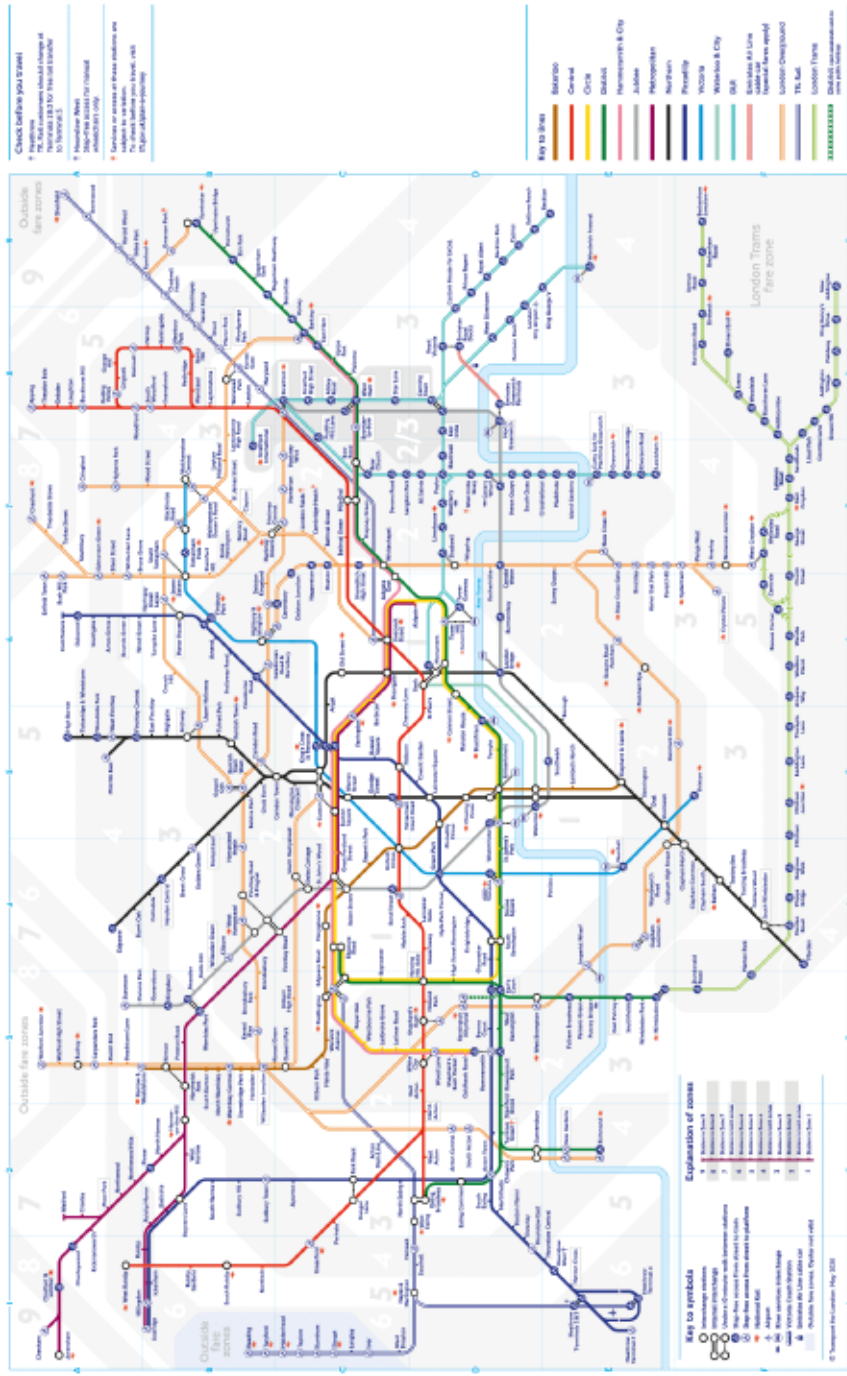


TOP TIP!

You can link a railcard to your Student oyster card for discounts on travel! Go on the tfl website and sign up!

<https://tfl.gov.uk/fares/free-and-discounted-travel/national-railcard-discount>

Tube map



MAYOR OF LONDON

tfl.gov.uk

24 hour travel information
 0343 222 1234*

Check your travel information
tfl.gov.uk/travel-tools

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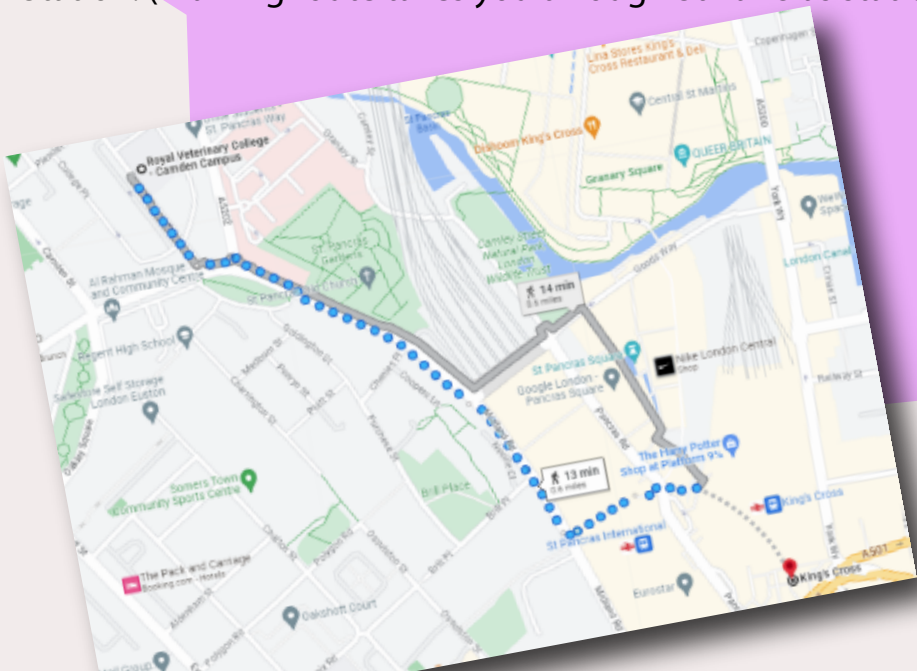
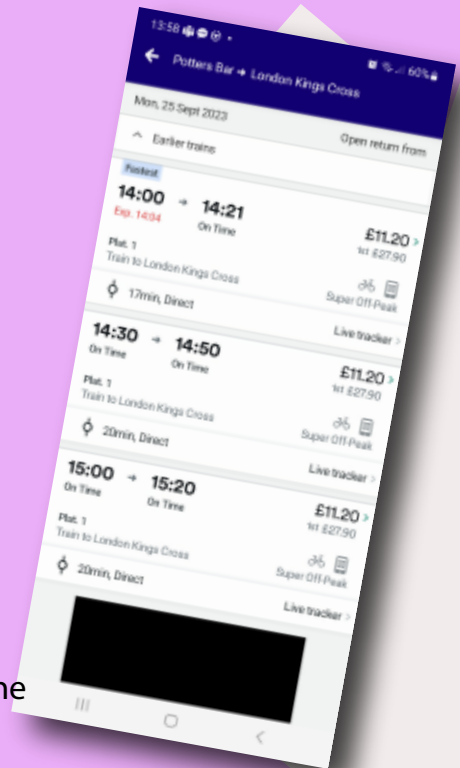
TRANSPORT FOR LONDON
 EVERY JOURNEY MATTERS

TRAVELLING BETWEEN CAMDEN AND HAWKSHEAD

Download the Trainline App for information on trains from Potters Bar to Kings Cross.

Nearest Underground stations to Hawkshead are High Barnet on the Northern Line & Cockfosters on the Piccadilly Line.

Camden Campus is a 13 minute walk from Kings Cross Train Station. (Walking route takes you through St Pancras station)



TIPS FOR A NIGHT OUT



Always have at least 1 sober 'mum/dad' of the group

Tell someone not going out where you are going and who with just in case

'Ask for Angela' if you feel that you are in an unsafe situation:

<https://www.met.police.uk/AskforAngela>

Travel in 3s or more - If Person A gets hurt, Person B can stay with them, while Person C calls for help/goes to get help

Always plan the trip home ahead of time - you can make a route in citymapper ahead of time and click it later on your way home. You can also book an uber for a certain time. Make sure you have your night routine set up for when you get home

Only take what you need - ID, oyster card, coins (for coat room). Leave your credit/debit cards at home! Try and use Apple pay (pay using your phone) instead

Avoid putting your drink down and looking away, or put something on top of your drink like a Spikey

Never accept a drink unless you watch it being poured from the bar
Don't drink random drinks left around

Avoid confronting inebriated people and be aware of the locations of the club security guards

If you are worried about losing keys, get a clip/carabiner and hook it to your bra/belt strap



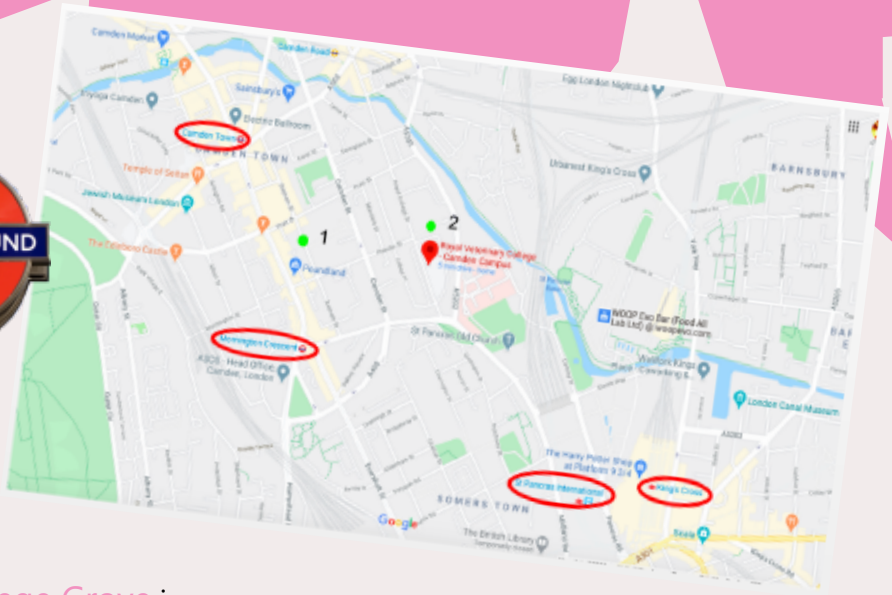
ACCOMODATION AND POINTS OF INTEREST



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COLLEGE GROVE

TRAVELLING AROUND COLLEGE GROVE



College Grove is conveniently close to Camden High Street (CHS) as well as public transport stops. It is a quick walk to Kings Cross (a major tube station) as well as St Pancras Train Station

Key:

○ Tube Stops
Mornington Crescent - Take Northern line to Leicester Square

● Bus Stops

'Pratt Street Stop V' - Take 24 or 29 to Tottenham Court Road 'Royal College
St Crowndale Rd (Stop P)' - Take 46 to go to Kentish Town (15 mins)

GROCERY STORES



Stores	Address	Travel time	Recommended items
TESCO Express \$	159-165 Camden High St, Camden Town, London NW1 7JY	10 mins walk	Medium sized store Basic food items Specialty items are more expensive
Aldi \$	125-133 Camden High St, Camden Town, London NW1 7JR	10 mins walk	Medium sized store Organic food, specialty items Cheap
Sainsbury's Local \$\$	10-12 Camden High St, London NW1 0JH	7 mins walk	Medium sized store Quick, convenient More specialty items
Sainsbury's \$\$	17-21 Camden Rd, Camden Town, London NW1 9LJ	10 mins walk	Largest store Large variety of food, especially fruits, vegetables, and meats A bit more expensive, but bulk buying is cheaper
M&S \$\$	143 Camden High St, Camden Town, London NW1 7JX	10 mins walk	Medium sized store Large selection of fruits and vegetables Many good ready meals available Good dessert selection

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Sign up for rewards cards for grocery stores

OTHER USEFUL SHOPS

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Stores	Type	Address	Travel time
Boots	Pharmacy/ Health and Beauty	8-10 Camden High St, London NW1 0JH	7 mins walk
Boots	Pharmacy/ Health and Beauty	173-175 Camden High St, Camden Town, London NW1 7JY	10 mins walk
Superdrug	Health and Beauty	201 Camden High St, Camden Town, London NW1 7BT	12 mins walk
Savers	Health and Beauty	78 Camden High St, London NW1 0LT	7 mins walk
Camden Mind	Thrift store	60 Camden High St, London NW1 0LT	7 mins walk
British Heart Foundation	Thrift store	65 Camden High St, London NW1 7JL	7 mins walk
Oxfam	Thrift store	89 Camden High St, London NW1 7JL	7 mins walk
Cancer Research UK	Thrift store	81 Camden High St, London NW1 7JL	7 mins walk
Argos	Furniture store	72-76 Camden High St, Greater, London NW1 0LT	7 mins walk
Poundland	General Store	52-56 Camden High St, London NW1 0LT	7 mins walk



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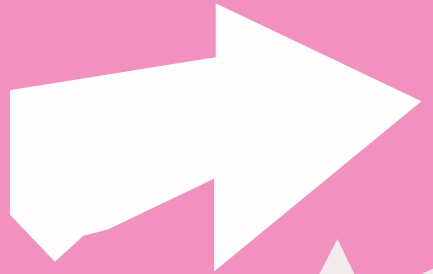
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Mcdonald's \$	Fast food	112 Camden High St, Camden Town, London NW1 0LU	8 mins walk
KFC \$	Fast food	237 Camden High St, Camden Town, London NW1 7BU	12 mins walk
German Doner Kebab \$	Fast food	102 Camden High St, Camden Town, London NW1 0LU	8 mins walk
Taste of Siam \$	Thai Restaurant	45 Camden High St, London NW1 7JH	6 mins walk
Alexander The Great \$\$	Greek Restaurant	8 Plender St, London NW1 0JT	5 mins walk
Seto \$	Japanese Restaurant	5-6 Plender St, London NW1 0JN	5 mins walk
Blue's Kitchen \$\$	Pub/Restaurant	The Blues Kitchen, 111-113 Camden High St, London NW1 7JN	8 mins walk
Papa John's \$\$	Pizza	51A Camden High St, London NW1 7JH	5 mins walk
Sapores \$	Ice cream	51 Camden High St, London NW1 7JH	6 mins walk
Bubble Waffle \$\$	Bubble waffle	213 Camden High St, Camden Town, London NW1 8QR	12 mins walk
Treatz Dessert Parlour \$\$	Waffles, Pancakes, Cookies Dough	5 Jamestown Rd, Camden Town, London NW1 7BW	15 mins walk



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COLLEGE HALL



TRAVELLING AROUND COLLEGE HALL

College Hall is conveniently close to several tube stations as well as public transport stops. You can walk to Kings Cross as well as St Pancras Train Station.

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 Tube Stops

Russell Square Station - Can take Piccadilly line to Heathrow, Leicester Square, Hyde Park Corner

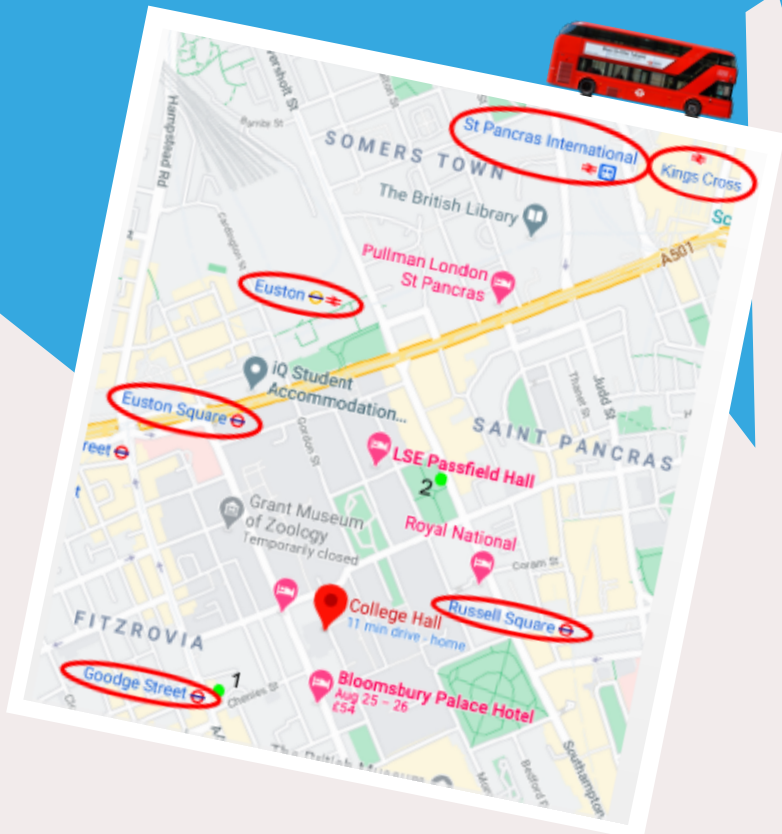
Goodge Street Station - Can take Northern Line to Mornington Crescent and walk to RVC

St Pancras International - Can take the train out of London to Europe via Eurostar

 Bus Stops

1. 'Goodge Street Station Stop D' - Take the buses 29 or 24 to 'Leicester Square Stop J' and walk to Leicester Square; Take the 390 bus to 'Oxford Street John Lewis Stop OR' and walk to Oxford Street.

2. 'Tavistock Square Stop K' - Take the 168 bus to Camden High Street



GROCERY STORES



Stores	Address	Travel time	Recommended items
TESCO Express \$	40 Bernard St, Russell Square, Bloomsbury, London WC1N 1QJ	7 mins walk	Small Store Small, essential groceries Lots of discounts
Waitrose \$\$	23-39 Handle Street The Brunswick Centre, London WC1N 1JX	10 mins walk	Large Store Expensive, but wide range of food - organic, free range, fresh baked goods etc
Sainsbury's Local \$\$	Unit 5, Brunswick Centre, Bloomsbury, London WC1N 1BS	9 mins walk	Small Store Good variety of fruits and vegetables
M&S Simply Food \$\$	55 Tottenham Court Rd, Bloomsbury, London W1T 2EQ	7 mins walk	Medium Store Good range of high quality specialty items and meal deals. Fresh bakery. Large alcohol selection
Co-op \$\$	Bloomsbury, London WC1E 7DU	5 mins walk	Medium Store Good range of specialty items and meal deals
Oseyo TCR \$	115 Tottenham Court Rd, Bloomsbury, London W1T 5AH	8 mins walk	Small asian specialty store Good range of asian food items and cooking materials

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OTHER USEFUL SHOPS

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Boots	Pharmacy/Health and Beauty	211-212 Tottenham Court Rd, Bloomsbury, London W1T 7PP	7 mins walk
Boots	Pharmacy/Health and Beauty	40-42 Brunswick Square, Bloomsbury, London WC1N 1AE	10 mins walk
Superdrug	Health and Beauty	Unit 33-35 The Brunswick Centre WC1N 1AF	10 mins walk
Robert Dyas	General Store/Appliances	37 Brunswick Square, Bloomsbury, London WC1N 1AF	10 mins walk
Gay's The Word	Bookstore	66 Marchmont St, Saint Pancras, London WC1N 1AB	8 mins walk
The Silk Road	Thrift Store	62 Marchmont St, Saint Pancras, London WC1N 1AP	8 mins walk
Skoob Books	Bookstore	66 The Brunswick off, Marchmont St, London WC1N 1AE	9 mins walk



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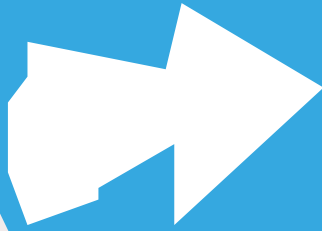
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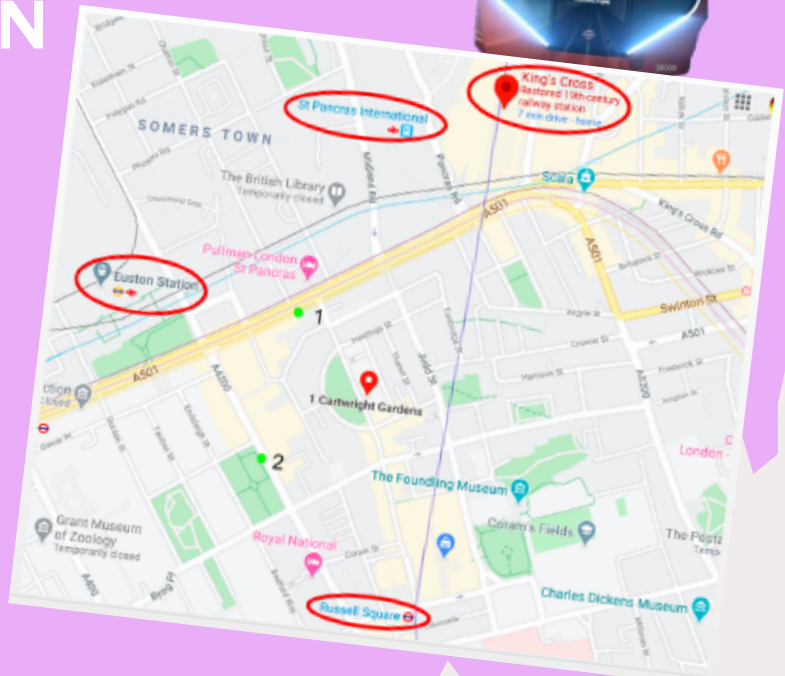
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Nando's \$\$	Afro-Portuguese Restaurant	Brunswick Square Unit 23, The Brunswick Shopping Centre, London WC1N 1AE	10 mins walk
Chatime \$	Bubble Tea	Unit 34, Brunswick Square, Bloomsbury, London WC1N 1AE	11 mins walk
Leon \$	Mediterranean Restaurant	Unit 2, Brunswick Centre, Bloomsbury, London WC1N 1AY	9 mins walk
Wing Wing \$\$	Korean Fried Chicken/Fast Food	30 Woburn Pl, Bloomsbury, London WC1H 0JR	5 mins walk
Franco Manca \$	Pizza	4 Bernard St, Russell Square, Bloomsbury, London WC1N 1LJ	7 mins walk
Wasabi Sushi and Bento \$	Japanese Fast Food	3 Bernard St, Bloomsbury, London WC1N 1LJ	7 mins walk
Fuwa Fuwa Café \$	Fluffy Japanese Pancakes	Unit 8, Brunswick Centre, Bloomsbury, London WC1N 1AE	9 mins walk
Itsu \$\$	Japanese Fast Food	Unit 16, Brunswick Centre, London WC1N 1AF	8 mins walk
International Food Market \$	International Open Air Food Market	79A Tottenham Court Rd, Bloomsbury, London W1T 4TB	5 mins walk
McDonald's \$	Fast Food	112 High Holborn, Holborn, London WC1V 6JS	15 mins walk
KFC \$	Fast Food	71 Tottenham Court Rd, Bloomsbury, London W1T 2HD	6 mins walk



GARDEN HALLS





TRAVELLING AROUND GARDEN HALLS



Garden Halls is near the hub of central London, like Kings Cross, St Pancras etc. The big stations can take you to many places in London

Key:

 Tube Stops
Russell Square - Can take Piccadilly line to Heathrow, Leicester Square, Hyde Park Corner

 Bus Stops

1 'British Library Stop B' - Take the 390 to Oxford Circus
2 'Tavistock Square Stop K' - Take the 168 to Camden High Street and walk to RVC

GROCERY STORES



Stores	Address	Travel time	Recommended items
TESCO Express \$	40 Bernard St, Russell Square, Bloomsbury, London WC1N 1QJ	5 mins walk	Small Store Small, essential groceries
Waitrose \$\$	23-39 Handle Street The Brunswick Centre, London WC1N 1JX	3 mins walk	Large Store Expensive, but wide range of food - organic, free range, fresh baked goods etc
Sainsbury's Local \$\$	Unit 5, Brunswick Centre, Bloomsbury, London WC1N 1BS	5 mins walk	Small Store Good variety of fruits and vegetables
TESCO Metro \$	21 Caledonian Rd, Islington, London N1 9DX	12 mins walk	Medium Store Slightly longer walk but CHEAP Good range of fruits, vegetables, ready meals. Lots of discounts
Lidl \$	64-70 Camden High St, London NW1 0LT	20 mins walk	Medium-large store Good selection of meats and alcohol CHEAP Long walk from Gardens but closer to school (so can take bus, tube or walk back home)
Oseyo TCR \$	115 Tottenham Court Rd, Bloomsbury, London W1T 5AH	15 mins walk	Small asian speciality store Good range of asian food items and cooking materials

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Boots	Pharmacy/Health and Beauty	40-42 Brunswick Square, Bloomsbury, London WC1N 1AE	4 mins walk
Superdrug	Health and Beauty	Unit 33-35 The Brunswick Centre WC1N 1AF	5 mins walk
Robert Dyas	General Store/Appliances	37 Brunswick Square, Bloomsbury, London WC1N 1AF	4 mins walk
Paperchase	Stationary Store	Unit 16B St Pancras Station, Pancras Rd, London NW1 2QL	10 mins walk
Gay's The Word	Bookstore	66 Marchmont St, Saint Pancras, London WC1N 1AB	2 mins walk
The Silk Road	Thrift Store	62 Marchmont St, Saint Pancras, London WC1N 1AP	2 mins walk
Skoob Books	Bookstore	66 The Brunswick off, Marchmont St, London WC1N 1AE	3 mins walk

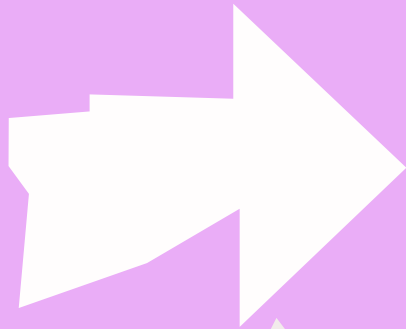
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Nando's \$\$	Afro-Portuguese Restaurant	Brunswick Square Unit 23, The Brunswick Shopping Centre, London WC1N 1AE	5 mins walk
Chatime \$	Bubble Tea	Unit 34, Brunswick Square, Bloomsbury, London WC1N 1AE	3 mins walk
Dishoom \$\$	Indian Restaurant	5 Stable St, Kings Cross, London N1C 4AB	15 mins walk
Leon \$	Mediterranean Restaurant	Unit 2, Brunswick Centre, Bloomsbury, London WC1N 1AY	5 mins walk
Pret A Manger \$	Café	117 Euston Rd, London NW1 2SX	2 mins walk
Starbucks \$\$	Café	Tavistock Square, Bloomsbury, London WC1H 9LT	4 mins walk
Half Cup \$\$	Brunch Café	100-102 Judd St, Saint Pancras, London WC1H 9NT	3 mins walk
Pizza Express \$\$	Pizza	House, 93, Clifton, 99 Euston Rd, London NW1 2RA	3 mins walk
Wing Wing \$\$	Korean Fried Chicken/Fast Food	30 Woburn Pl, Bloomsbury, London WC1H 0JR	4 mins walk
Franco Manca \$	Pizza	4 Bernard St, Russell Square, Bloomsbury, London WC1N 1LJ	5 mins walk
Wasabi Sushi and Bento \$	Japanese Take away	3 Bernard St, Bloomsbury, London WC1N 1LJ	5 mins walk

LILIAN PENSON




TRAVELLING AROUND LILIAN PENSON

Lillian Penson is located near Paddington, a major railway station as well as a tube stop that you can take to Kings Cross.

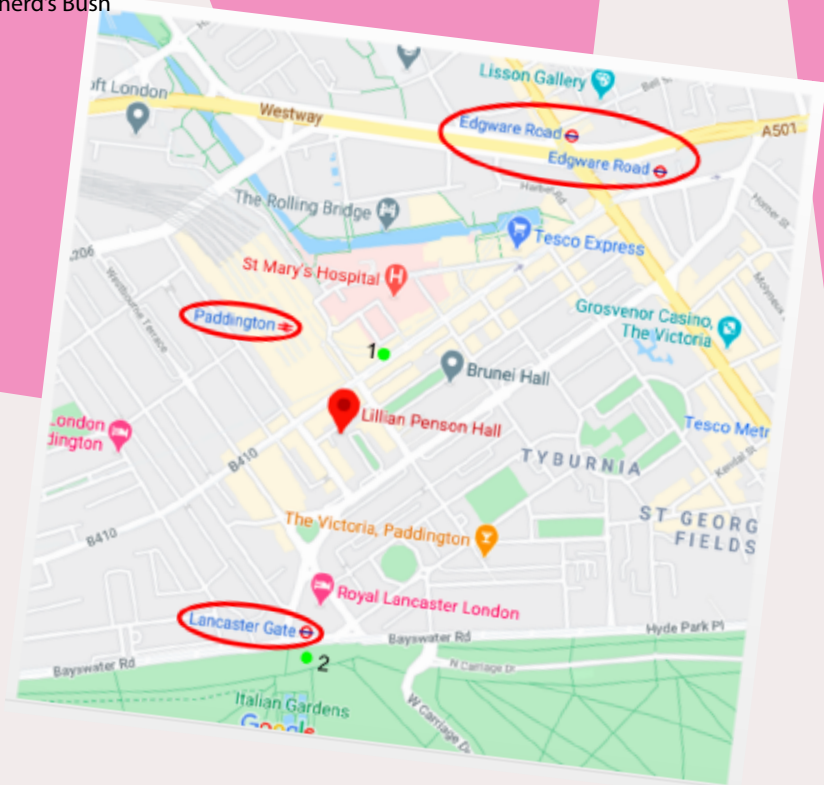
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 Tube Stops

Paddington Station - Can take the Circle or Hammersmith and City lines to Kings Cross and walk to RVC.

 Bus Stops

1. 'Paddington Rail Station Stop H' - Take Bus 7 to Oxford Circus Station (15 mins); Take Bus 27 to 'Camden High Street Stop J' (30 mins) and walk to RVC
2. 'Lancaster Gate Station Stop LC' - Take buses 148 or 94 to 'Shepherd's Bush Stop E' and walk to Shepherd's Bush



GROCERY STORES



Stores	Address	Travel time	Recommended items
TESCO Express \$	S Wharf Rd, Paddington, London W2 1JX	9 mins walk	Medium sized store Big variety of food Specialty items and good discounts
M&S \$\$	258 Edgware Rd, Marylebone, London W2 1DU	12 mins walk	Bit more expensive Specialty items and large variety of food
TESCO Metro \$	90-100 Edgware Rd, London W2 2EA	13 mins walk	Big variety of food Specialty items and good discounts
Waitrose \$\$	168-176 Edgware Rd, Marylebone, London W2 2DX	11 mins walk	More expensive, but more specialty items and variety of high quality items

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Stores	Type	Address	Travel time
Argos	Furniture Store	150 Edgware Rd, Greater, Cricklewood, London W2 2DS	12 mins walk
Ryman Stationery	Stationery Store	51-55 Praed St, Tyburnia, London W2 1NR	9 mins walk
Superdrug	Health and Beauty Store	4 & 5, West End Quay, Praed St, Paddington, London W2 1JB	10 mins walk
WHSmith	General/ Stationery Store	Praed St, Paddington, London W2 1HB	5 mins walk
Apek Pharmacy	Pharmacy	107 Praed St, Tyburnia, London W2 1NT	7 mins walk
Lloyds Pharmacy	Pharmacy	Winsland St, Paddington, London W2 1NY	6 mins walk
Boots	Pharmacy/ Health and Beauty	175 Edgware Rd, Tyburnia, London W2 2HR	10 mins walk
Paddington Quay Post Office	Post Office	4C Praed St, Paddington, London W2 1JX	9 mins walk
Mail Boxes Etc.	Courier	61 Praed St, Tyburnia, London W2 1NS	8 mins walk



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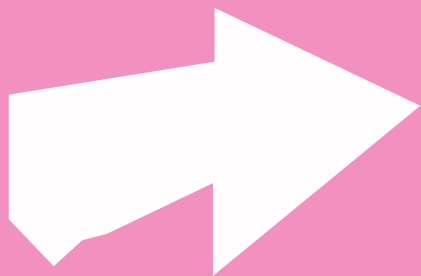


Stores	Type	Address	Travel Time
McDonald's \$	Fast food	144 Praed St, Paddington, London W2 1HU	5 mins walk
KFC \$	Fast food	149-151 Praed St, Tyburnia, London W2 1RL	5 mins walk
Burger King \$	Fast food	27 London Rd, Paddington, London W2 1HH	6 mins walk
Subway \$	Sandwiches	147 Praed Street Ground Floor And Basement, London W2 1RL	5 mins walk
Ask Italian \$\$	Italian Restaurant	41, 43 Spring St, Paddington, London W2 1JA	2 mins walk
Wox's Noodle Bar \$	Chinese Noodle Restaurant	20 Spring St, Tyburnia, London W2 3RA	4 mins walk
Lolita London \$	Halal Burgers, Kebabs, Fish and Chips, Falafel	21 Spring St, Tyburnia, London W2 1JA	4 mins walk
Pizza Express \$\$	Pizza	Unit 35 and 37, 3 Merchant Square, Paddington, London W2 1BF	11 mins walk
The Victoria \$\$	Pub	10A Strathearn Pl, Paddington, London W2 2NH	5 mins walk
Oliver's Steakhouse \$\$	Steakhouse	25 London St, Tyburnia, London W2 1HH	4 mins walk
Selfridges \$\$	6 floors of high quality dining choices	400 Oxford St, Marylebone, London W1A 1AB	25 mins walk/12 mins by tube - 2 tube stops via Central line at Lancaster Gate tube station towards Epping to Bond Street

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MANNEQUIN HOUSE



TRAVELLING AROUND MANNEQUIN HOUSE



Students recommend using the tube lines due to their reliability and faster travel time. Mannequin House is close to Blackhorse Road tube station that can take them to Kings Cross via the Victoria Line.

Key:

 Tube Stops

Blackhorse Road - Take Victoria line towards Brixton to Kings Cross St. Pancras and walk 10 mins to RVC

Blackhorse Road - Take Victoria line towards Brixton to Tottenham Hale and walk 2 mins to Tottenham Hale Retail Park



GROCERY STORES



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Stores	Address	Travel time	Recommended items
Co-op \$\$	5A, 5B Blackhorse Ln, Walthamstow, London E17 6SX United Kingdom	Right next door 	Good for late night snack Quick grocery runs
Blackhorse Off License \$	6 Blackhorse Ln, Walthamstow, London E17 6HJ	Across the road	Cheap alcoholic beverages
Food Warehouse \$	Unit 8, Tottenham Hale Retail Park, Broad Ln, London N15 4QD	20 mins walk/1 tube stop via Victoria line at Blackhorse Rd tube station towards Brixton to Tottenham Hale	Good for bulk buying frozen foods
Iceland \$	522-528 High Rd, Tottenham, London N17 6SX	30 mins walk/15 mins by bus 123 via Blackhorse Road Station Stop BC to Bruce Grove Station Stop K.	Good for ready meals and often has good discounts. Good quality of food
Lidl \$	Unit 6, Tottenham Hale Retail Park, Broad Lane, London, N15 4QD	20 mins walk/1 tube stop via Victoria line at Blackhorse Rd tube station towards Brixton to Tottenham Hale	CHEAP but lower quality compared to other stores Good for bulk buying weekly/bi-weekly shop
Asda \$	19 Selborne Rd, Walthamstow, London E17 7LS, United Kingdom	20 mins walk/1 tube stop via Victoria line at Blackhorse Rd tube station towards Walthamstow Central	CHEAP but better quality compared to Lidl
Sainsbury's \$\$	112 High St, Walthamstow, London E17 7JY, United Kingdom	17 mins walk/1 tube stop via Victoria line at Blackhorse Rd tube station towards Walthamstow Central	A bit more expensive, but have better quality specialty items.
TESCO Express \$	82-84 Forest Rd, Walthamstow, London E17 6JR, United Kingdom	20 mins walk/1 tube stop 123 and walk for 10 mins Blackhorse Road Station Stop BD to Bromley Road Stop BF	Good specialty items, fruit and vegetables, discounts are very common

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Boots	Pharmacy/ Health and Beauty	2, Tottenham Hale Retail Park, Broad Ln, Tottenham, London N15 4QD	20 mins walk/5 mins by tube - 1 tube stop via Victoria line at Blackhorse Rd tube station towards Brixton to Tottenham Hale
Boots	Pharmacy/ Health and Beauty	162 High St, Walthamstow, London E17 7JS	20 mins walk/9 mins by tube - 1 tube stop via Victoria line at Blackhorse Rd tube station towards Walthamstow Central
Poundland	General Store	Unit 3 Tottenham Retail Park, London N15 4QD	20 mins walk/5 mins by tube - 1 tube stop via Victoria line at Blackhorse Rd tube station towards Brixton to Tottenham Hale
PC World	Electronics store	Tottenham Hale Retail Park, Broad Ln, London N15 4QD	20 mins walk/5 mins by tube - 1 tube stop via Victoria line at Blackhorse Rd tube station towards Brixton to Tottenham Hale
Asda Living	Furniture, House items, cleaning products	Unit 4, Tottenham Hale Retail Park, Broad Lane, London, N15 4QD	20 mins walk/6 mins by tube - 1 tube stop via Victoria line at Blackhorse Rd tube station towards Brixton to Tottenham Hale
Royal Mail	Post Office	143 Carr Rd, Walthamstow, London E17 5EP	20 mins walk/15 mins by bus - 9 stops on bus 158 from Forest Road Stop BE to North Countess Road
Sports Direct	Sportswear and equipment	636-638 High Rd, Tottenham, London N17 0GA	30 mins by bus - 10 stops on bus 123 from Blackhorse Road Station Stop BC to Elmhurst Road Stop L
Cex	Gaming and DVD store	36 Selborne Walk The Mall Walthamstow, Walthamstow E17 7JR	23 mins walk/7 mins by tube - 1 tube stop via Victoria line at Blackhorse Rd tube station towards Walthamstow Central

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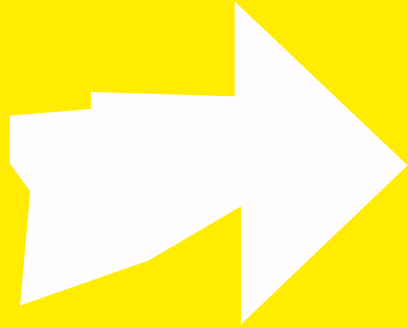
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Creams \$\$	Dessert Café	Churchill Business Centre, 4 Church Hill, Walthamstow, London E17 3AG	25 mins walk/8 mins by tube - 1 tube stop via Victoria line at Blackhorse Rd tube station towards Walthamstow Central
Yasar's Kitchen \$	Turkish restaurant	8 Blackhorse Ln, Walthamstow, London E17 6HJ	1 minute walk
Nando's \$\$	Afro - Portuguese Restaurant	261 High St 1 The Scene, Walthamstow, London E17 7FD	24 mins walk/8 mins by tube - 1 tube stop via Victoria line at Blackhorse Rd tube station towards Walthamstow Central
Burger King \$	Fast Food	Unit D, Tottenham Hale Retail Park, Broad Lane, London, N15 4QD	20 mins walk/6 mins by tube - 1 tube stop via Victoria line at Blackhorse Rd tube station towards Brixton to Tottenham Hale
Costa \$	Café	Unit E, Tottenham Hale Retail Park, Broad Lane, London, N15 4QD	20 mins walk/7 mins by tube - 1 tube stop via Victoria line at Blackhorse Rd tube station towards Brixton to Tottenham Hale
Café Rodi \$	Café (discounts for residents)	16 Blackhorse Ln, Walthamstow, London E17 6HJ	1 minute walk
Sea Fryer Fish Bar \$	Fish and Chips	67 Forest Rd, Walthamstow, London E17 6HF	1 minute walk
Ferry Boat Inn \$\$	Pub	Ferry Ln, Tottenham, London N17 9NG	10 mins walk

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TRAVELLING AROUND MARY B



*** Kentish Town Station is currently closed until Summer 2024 ***

Mary B is conveniently close to the Kentish Town tube station and is only a 20 minute walk to RVC.

Key:

 Tube Stops

~~Kentish Town~~ - Take Northern Line to Camden Town, Mornington Crescent, Charing Cross, London Bridge, Leicester Square. Can also take overground train to places like Surrey and St Albans

Kentish Town West - Overground station that can take you to places like Clapham Junction, Stratford, Richmond

Camden Road Overground - Overground station that can take you to places like Clapham Junction, Stratford, Richmond

 Bus Stops

'Kentish Town Post Office Stop KE' - Can take 134 to Alexandra Palace. N20 night bus arrives here from Leicester Square. Other buses include 88, 214, 393.

'Kentish Town Post Office Stop KC' - 134 arrives here from Alexandra Palace. N20 night bus takes you to Leicester Square. Other buses include 88, 214, 393.

GROCERY STORES



Stores	Address	Travel time	Recommended items
Iceland \$	301 - 305 Kentish Town Rd, Kentish Town, London NW5 2TJ	3 mins walk	Cheap food - especially ready meals and frozen items. Sometimes have university student discount 10%
Sainsbury's Local \$\$	329-333 Kentish Town Rd, Kentish Town, London NW5 2TJ	4 mins walk	Wide variety with specialty items More expensive than Iceland
Co-op \$\$	250-254 Kentish Town Rd, Kentish Town, London NW5 2AB	3 mins walk	Variety of snacks and alcohol NUS/Totum cards have discounts
Lidl \$	217-223 Kentish Town Rd, Kentish Town, London NW5 2JU	5 mins walk	Good variety of food but not named brands - Good equivalents instead CHEAP
Phoenicia Mediterranean Food Hall \$	186 Kentish Town Rd, Kentish Town, London NW5 2AE	5 mins walk	Good variety of fresh fruits and vegetables from the Mediterranean. Halal butchers.
TESCO Express \$	189-203, Kentish Town Rd, Kentish Town, London NW5 2JU	9 mins walk	Cheap but not a huge variety Limited alcohol. Smaller shop
International Supermarket \$	175 Kentish Town Road, London NW1 8PD	10 mins walk	Good range of fruit and vegetables
Fishmonger's \$	258 Kentish Town Rd, Kentish Town, London NW5 2AA	5 mins walk	Large variety of fresh fish
Fruit Bowl \$	278 Kentish Town Rd, Kentish Town, London NW5 2AA	5 mins walk	Large variety of fresh fruits and vegetables, more specialty fruits

TOP TIP!

Sign up for rewards cards for grocery stores

OTHER USEFUL SHOPS

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Stores	Type	Address	Travel time
Day Lewis Pharmacy	Pharmacy	321 Kentish Town Rd, Kentish Town, London NW5 2TJ	3 mins walk
Post Office	Post Office	251 Kentish Town Rd, Kentish Town, London NW5 2JT	5 mins walk
PDSA Charity Shop	Thrift Store	249 Kentish Town Rd, Kentish Town, London NW5 2JT	5 mins walk
Poundstretcher	General store	224 Kentish Town Rd, Kentish Town, London NW5 2AD	5 mins walk
Superdrug	Health and Beauty	218-220 Kentish Town Rd, Kentish Town, London NW5 2AD	6 mins walk
Morgan's Stationary	Stationary store	231 Kentish Town Rd, Kentish Town, London NW5 2JT	7 mins walk
Boots	Pharmacy/ Health and Beauty	196 Kentish Town Rd, Kentish Town, London NW5 2AE	9 mins walk
Oxfam	Thrift Store	166 Kentish Town Rd, Kentish Town, London NW5 2AG	10 mins away
Oxfam	Thrift Store	160 Kentish Town Rd, Kentish Town, London NW5 2AG	10 mins away



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PLACES TO EAT



Stores	Type	Address	Travel Time
Lady Hamilton \$	Pub with Asian Food	289-291 Kentish Town Rd, Kentish Town, London NW5 2JS	2 mins walk
McDonald's \$	Fast food	295 Kentish Town Rd, Kentish Town, London NW5 2TJ	2 mins walk
Wahaca \$\$	Mexican restaurant	276 Kentish Town Rd, Kentish Town, London NW5 2AA	4 mins walk
Franco Manca \$	Pizza	337 Kentish Town Rd, Kentish Town, London NW5 2TJ	4 mins walk
Greggs \$	Bakery	311 Kentish Town Rd, Kentish Town, London NW5 2TJ	4 mins walk
Crêpes à la Carte \$\$	French Crepes and Galettes	112 Kentish Town Rd, London NW1 9PX	13 mins walk
Caffè Nero \$\$	Café	335 Kentish Town Rd, Kentish Town, London NW5 2TJ	4 mins walk
The Oxford Tavern \$\$	Pub	256 Kentish Town Rd, Kentish Town, London NW5 2AA	5 mins walk
Mamasons \$\$	Filipino Deserts	81 Kentish Town Rd, London NW1 8NY	13 mins walk
Nando's \$\$	Afro - Portuguese Restaurant	227-229 Kentish Town Rd, Kentish Town, London NW5 2JU	8 mins walk
Domino's Pizza \$\$	Pizza	194 Kentish Town Rd, Kentish Town, London NW5 2AE	9 mins walk
GAIL'S Bakery \$\$	Bakery	204 Kentish Town Rd, Kentish Town, London NW5 2AD	6 mins walk

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NEW STUDENT VILLAGE (HAWKSHEAD)

TRAVELLING AROUND NSV

NSV is located on the Hawkshead campus.

It's frequented by the shuttle bus that takes students to Potters Bar Station. Potters Bar Station can also take you into London to Kings Cross.

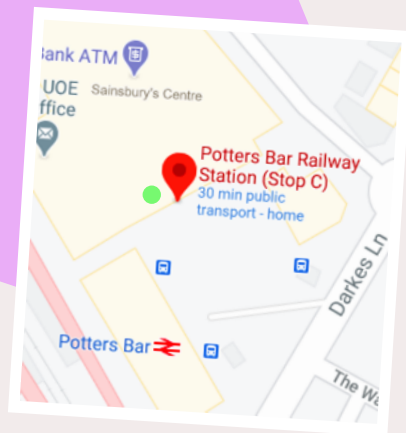
○ Train Stations

Brookmans Park Station - Not a shuttle stop but accessible by a ~1 mile path through the woods or 1.5 miles via the road and is closer than PB station. Has more trains going into central London but none go directly to Kings Cross

Potters Bar Station - Accessible by a 1.7 mile path through the woods of a 5 mins ride on the shuttle bus. Larger than Brookmans Park so it has train to both KX and Moorgate

● Bus Stops

'Potters Bar Railway Station Stop C' - Take bus 298 to Cockfosters tube station and can take the Piccadilly line into central London and Heathrow. However, it's a longer journey.



GROCERY STORES



Stores	Address	Travel time	Recommended items
Sainsbury's \$\$	7-8 Sainsbury Centre, Darkes Lane, Potters Bar, EN6 1AU	40 mins walk/5 mins shuttle ride (7am-8pm, ~15 mins every hour)	Medium sized store Good variety for a weekly shop, also has school clothes and school supplies
TESCO Superstore \$	Mutton Lane, Potters Bar EN6 2PB	10 mins shuttle ride (but shuttles to this location are infrequent - once an hour on weekends)/take the shuttle bus to PB station and walk a further 20 mins to TESCOs/1 hour walk from RVC	Wide variety of food -good for a weekly shop. Also has clothing, school supplies, cookware, and pharmacy sections

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OTHER USEFUL SHOPS



Stores	Type	Address	Travel time
Boots	Pharmacy/ Health and Beauty	132-134 Darkes Lane, Potters Bar, EN6 1AF	1 min walk from PB station shuttle stop
Superdrug	Health and Beauty	77-79 Darkes Lane, Potters Bar, EN6 1BW	2 mins walk from PB station shuttle stop
Broadway DIY	DIY goods, Cooking Equipment, A bit of everything!	27 Darkes Lane, Potters Bar EN6 2HX	2 Mins walk from PB station

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McDonald's \$	Fast Food	3 Darkes Lane, Potters Bar, EN6 1AJ	Across the road from PB station
Caffè Nero \$\$	Café	88 Darkes Lane, Potters Bar, EN6 1AG	At the PB stations shuttle stop
Subway \$	Sandwich Shop	9 Darkes Lane, Potters Bar, EN6 1AZ	Across the street from PB station, next to McDonald's
Admiral Byng (Wetherspoons) \$\$	Pub	186-192 Darkes Lane, Potters Bar, EN6 1AF	5 mins walk from PB station shuttle stop
The Strafford \$\$	Dog friendly Pub	Cranborne Parade, Mutton Ln, Potters Bar EN6 3BA	20 mins walk from PB station/8 mins by bus - 3 stops on Bus 84 from Potters Bar Railway Station (Stop B) to Furzeifield Centre
The Old Manor \$\$	Pub	Wylllyotts place, Darkes Ln, Potters Bar EN6 2JD	3 mins walk from PB station
Aksular \$	Turkish Restaurant	140 Darkes Ln, Potters Bar EN6 1AF	2 mins walk from PB station
Regency Chinese \$\$	Chinese Restaurant	12-14 Mutton Ln, Potters Bar EN6 2PA	15 mins walk from PB station/8 mins by bus - 3 stops on Buses 313 or 298 from Potters Bar Railway Station (Stop B) to TESCO
Macaroni \$\$	Italian Restaurant	24 Darkes Ln, Potters Bar EN6 2HW	2 mins walk from PB station
Bhan Thai \$\$	Thai restaurant	23-25 Darkes Lane, Potters Bar, EN6 2HX	2 mins walk from PB station

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FREE ACTIVITIES IN LONDON

Events

Winter Wonderland
Chinatown during CNY
Notting Hill Carnival

Markets

Camden Lock
Portobello Road
Covent Garden
Borough Market
Greenwich Market
Spitalfields

Cheap Amusements

Namco Funscape
Las Vegas Arcade Soho

Museums

Natural History Museum
Science Museum
British Museum
Grant Museum of Zoology
Wellcome Collection

Art Galleries

Tate Modern
Tate Britain
Saatchi Gallery
National Gallery
National Portrait Gallery
Wallace Collection

Parks

Regents Park
Hyde Park
Clissold Park (With Deer!)
Hampstead Heath
Highgate Wood & Cemetery



BANKS

Popular Banks based on students' experiences



Bank	Pros	Cons
Barclays	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Online banking is easy to use ✦ Good in-person customer service ✦ Free and simple to make a customer savings account 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Little Overdraft - Student deals aren't as good as other banks
HSBC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Good security for account information ✦ Convenient banking app ✦ Easily navigable website ✦ Good in-person customer service 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No mobile/online customer service - Less account monitoring (i.e.- minimal alerts to any 'suspicious purchases')
Lloyds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Very good with fraud and replacing cards ✦ Good online and general security ✦ Good internet banking services ✦ Good for international students that haven't lived in the UK 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Some waiting in branches - Student deals aren't as good as other banks
Nationwide	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Very good with fraud and replacing cards ✦ Convenient online banking ✦ Good mobile app ✦ Good student discounts ✦ Good overdraft options 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Specific ATMs for Nationwide aren't common - Some waiting in branches
Santander	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Gives you a railcard valid for 4 years (saving 1/3 each travel) ✦ Can increase overdraft from £500 to £1500 ✦ Online banking is convenient and easy to use ✦ Good online customer service ✦ No monthly fee to maintain the account 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Increasing overdraft is tedious - register for online banking and pay in £500 per academic term - You have to set up online banking yourself

SIM CARDS

POPULAR NETWORKS BASED ON STUDENTS' EXPERIENCES

*PaYG = Pay as you go



Provider	Pros	Cons
EE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Good prices + Has both PaYG and monthly + Good student deals (20% off + 200MB safety net each month) + Good coverage in the tubes + 4G + Free Apple Music for 6 months + Good roaming in the EU 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Quite expensive
GiffGaff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + 4G + Good sales on phones + Has goody bags with unlimited texts and minutes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Not as reliable - Slightly more expensive - No PaYG
O2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Free disney+ account with most deals + Good student deals (20% off + 200MB safety net each month) + Variety of good deals for concerts + 5G + Great coverage 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Quite expensive
Three	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Good student deals (there are three 30GB plans and an unlimited plan all with unlimited minutes and texts) + Go Roam included in plans (lets you use data, texts, and minutes abroad with no extra cost) + Consistent good prices + Good in-person customer service + Has both PaYG and monthly + 4G 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Bad online customer service - Service might not be great underground or abroad - Price can depend on the phone
Vodafone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Good roaming benefits + Has both PaYG and monthly + Good student deals (10% off monthly plans) + 4G + Great coverage 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Quite expensive