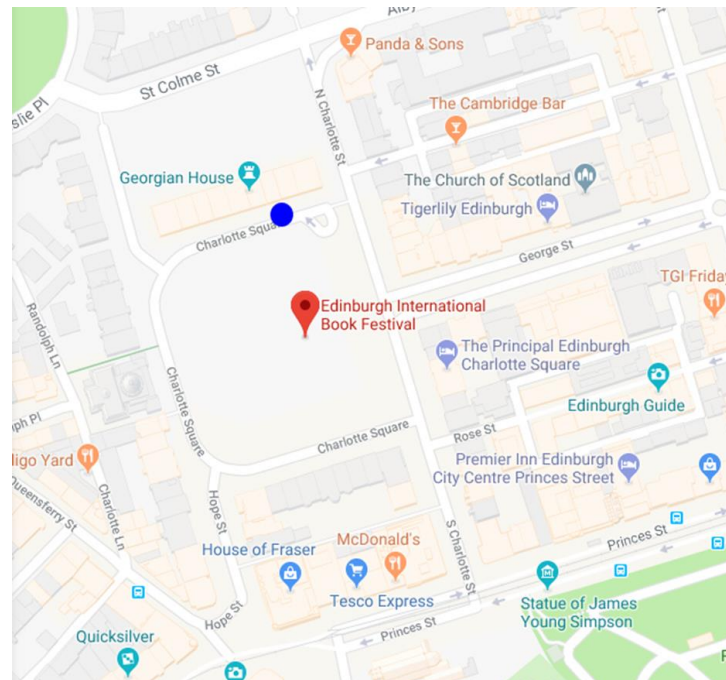


EDINBURGH INTERNATIONAL BOOK FESTIVAL SCHOOLS PROGRAMME IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR BUS DRIVERS

The designated bus drop-off point for groups attending the Book Festival's Baillie Gifford Schools Programme is on the **north side of Charlotte Square**, outside numbers 5/Bute House/the Georgian House (at the blue dot on the map below). From here the children will be helped to cross the road by a Road Crossing Assistant.



If you have children on the bus who require level access to the Gardens, please drop off these pupils with a teacher on the **south side of the square** where there is level access. At time of writing there is no pedestrian crossing and busy two-way traffic so it is not suitable for large groups of pupils.

PLEASE DO NOT STOP AT ANY OF THE FOLLOWING POINTS:

- The west side of the Square outside West Register House - this is a public bus stop and there is no safe road crossing point from here.
- Outside the gates of Charlotte Square Gardens - this is busy thoroughfare and has a pedestrian crossing. Under no circumstances can buses pull up in front of the gates to unload.

Any buses that stop at any point other than the designation drop-off points will be asked to move to the correct point. Your cooperation is appreciated and will ensure the safety of school groups visiting the Book Festival site.