

Harris Academy

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Transport, PE Kit and Safe Working Practices

Dear Parent / Carer / Young Person,

Transport

We have been working with colleagues from Dundee City Council, Xplore Dundee and Perth & Kinross Council to seek support with our transport offer between Monday of next week and the Easter break. I can offer the following updates:

Xplore Dundee Service 23s, 27s, 28s and 29s

Our dedicated school bus services will run at their normal time at the start and end of each day. In addition, the buses will leave Harris Academy at 12.15pm each day (to take senior phase pupils' home) and return to the school (bringing S1-S3 pupils in for the afternoon).

More information on the timing for these buses can be found at https://nxbus.co.uk/dundee/maps-timetables. The Harris-specific information will hopefully be uploaded to this web address later this afternoon.

Carse of Gowrie Dedicated Bus Service

The following arrangement will operate from Monday 15th March until Thursday 1st April for young people who have been allocated a concessionary space on the Carse of Gowrie dedicated school bus service:

The morning times will operate as normal allowing young people accessing Harris Academy for a Period 1 and 2 class to be brought in for the start of the school day.

The service will now collect young people from Harris Academy at 12:15pm, to coincide with the end of the Senior Phase learning blocks.

This service will act on half capacity during this time due to social distancing restrictions that will be in place.

Please note that all school buses will operate with a 1-metre physical distancing restriction and that face coverings must be worn on the bus unless medically exempt.

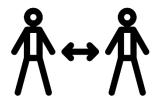
PE Kit

To avoid the need to use changing rooms, young people in S1 – S3 are encouraged to wear clothing that is suitable for outdoor activity on the days they are in school and have PE on their timetable.

Senior pupils will not need PE kit (certificate courses) as the focus of next week will be theory elements of the various courses offered.

Safe Working Practices

To ensure the safety of all, the following working practices will be consistently adopted throughout our school building.



Please keep 2m apart from staff and other young people at all times

Face coverings are to be worn at all times in the school building. This now includes S1 – S3 pupils whilst in class





Please ensure you wipe down surfaces at the start and end of each lesson

Wash your hands on entry to the building and at the start and end of each lesson





All S4 - S6 young people encouraged to participate in the COVID-19 Asymptomatic Testing Programme. Testing days are Monday and Thursday

Young people enter through allocated doors

Morning		Afternoon		
S4	Plaza (Clock Tower)	S1	Plaza (Clock Tower)	
S5/6	Maths entrance	S2	Maths entrance	
Harris Hub	Main entrance	53	Main entrance	1

Teachers will direct classes to the nearest exit at the end of their time in school





Young people and staff should KEEP LEFT in all corridors

The school is now fully prepared for Monday's gradual return. Enjoy the weekend and we look forward to seeing our young people over the course of next week.

Regards,

Barry Millar Head Teacher