

23rd March 2020



Dear Parent/Carer,

Coronavirus (Covid-19)

Specific Arrangements Monday 23 to Friday 27 March 2020 – Critical Key Worker Groups

The Scottish Government has indicated all Schools and Early Learning and Childcare settings will be closed for normal business from Monday 23 March 2020.

Following our previous communications regarding the offer of a provision for learning for targeted groups, as identified by the Scottish Government, I am now able to advise you specifically of arrangements at Harris Academy.

- School will be open for your child between 9am and 3.15pm on Monday 23 March until Friday 27 March 2020
- Your child should arrive via the front main school entrance – all other pupil entrances will be closed
- Your child should register with a member of staff in the dining centre on arrival
- Your child should follow all recommended health and hygiene procedures. This includes:
 - washing their hands, as per national guidance, immediately upon arriving at school
 - ensuring that they always remain the nationally recommended 2 metres (3 steps) apart from other children and school staff and in all school areas, i.e. in all classrooms, corridors, stairwells, during intervals and when queuing
 - washing their hands before eating
 - washing their hands after toileting
 - no sharing of common resources with other children such as pens, pencils, rulers etc ... (your child will be equipped with their own learning pack with the necessary resources should they require this).

Please note, this offer should only be taken as a last resort and only once you have exhausted all other childcare options. As a parent you will know what is best for your young person and if they can safely look after themselves at home or with a sibling.

Please do not send your child to Harris Academy unless you absolutely have to, and only if you are part of the Scottish Government's list of Critical Key Workers.

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If your young person is entitled to a free school meal, it will be provided by Tayside Contracts via our main school canteen. If not, please ensure that your child brings fresh water, snacks and a packed lunch to see them through the day.

Please note, we are **not** recommending that your young person leaves school during our revised opening hours of 9am to 3.15pm, i.e. to visit local shops during break times. If you do require your child to leave school, please advise us specifically, as we will not be expecting your child to return to school if they leave during our revised school hours. This is to help support our emergency evacuation procedures and the action of social distancing.

Your young person will follow a bespoke timetable and will engage in learning activities appropriate to their age, stage and ability. These activities will be led by Harris Academy teachers and may not be your child's usual teacher.

Remember, if you or any member of your family, including your child, has been required to follow the national guidance on self-isolation due to COVID-19 symptoms, then the conditions of self-isolation remain to help control the spread of the virus to friends and others – www.nhsinform.scot – **and your child should not attend school until cleared to do so.**

I wish to reassure you that Dundee City Council's Children and Families Service is continuing to work with Headteachers across the city to deal with the impact of the situation as it develops.

Please note that on Friday 27 March, school will close for all at 3.15pm for the Easter Holiday.

Kind regards,



Barry Millar,
Head Teacher

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