



Queries regarding the Hutchesons' bus service should be directed in the first instance to the Transport Manager, Cathy Alcorn;

Tel: 0141 433 4449

Email: transport@hutchesons.org

OUR SCHOOL OPERATORS

SilverFox Buses

Tower Garage, Ferry Road, Renfrew, PA4 8SH

Tel: 0141 886 4134

SilverFox works closely with Hutchesons' to provide buses to and from home and also supplies the shuttle bus that transfers pupils between Kingarth Street and Beaton Road during the school day. SilverFox buses are used for many school trips and camps.

Clan Travel

115 Jerviston St, New Stevenston, Motherwell ML1 4HT

Tel: 01698 833299 or 07817896938

Email: dgregdoc@aol.com

Clan Travel independently run the service to and from the Motherwell/ Hamilton areas. This is an established service, now in its 22nd year of operation.

Please contact them direct regarding booking a place on this service. Please email greg409@live.co.uk or telephone 01698 833299/07817 896938.

Please remember to inform the School of any change in travel arrangements as soon as possible.

If your child is absent from school you must email transport@hutchesons.org.

If he or she travels on one of the independently run services, please contact the provider direct.

Please make sure your child has read the Pupil Rules and adheres to them at all times. This is for the safety of your child and all other pupils using the bus service.

The Terms and Conditions should also be read before you agree to sign up for the bus service. The School always welcomes feedback so please email any suggestions on how the service can be extended or improved to transport@hutchesons.org.

BOOKING PROCEDURE

In order to book a place for your child on any of our bus routes, please contact Cathy Alcorn, the Transport Manager at **0141 433 4449** or **transport@hutchesons.org**.

These will be dealt with on a first come, first served basis, as spaces are limited.

Please complete one form per child. Please also take note that the costs per term are fixed, and are payable in advance by direct debit. Therefore, should your child choose not to travel on any day, you will still be charged accordingly.

If your booking is for the Hamilton, Bothwell or Motherwell, service please contact the operator direct.

BUS SERVICES

Introduction

For the benefit of families at Hutchesons' Grammar School, there are a number of different morning and afternoon school bus services:

Route	Calling at	AM	PM	Operator
Kilmarnock to Kingarth St & Beaton Rd	Kilmarnock (Ayrshire Athletics Arena Car Park)	Yes	Yes	Hutchesons'
East Kilbride to Kingarth St & Beaton Rd	East Kilbride (Aldi car park)	Yes	Yes	Hutchesons'
Troon to Kingarth St & Beaton Rd	Troon	Yes	Yes	Hutchesons'
Dullatur to Kingarth St & Beaton Rd	Dullatur Tennis Club, Westerton Rd, Trafalgar St, St Andrews School, Carrickstone Road	Yes	Yes	Hutchesons'
West End to Kingarth St & Beaton Road	Hughenden Rugby Club	Yes	Yes	Hutchesons'
Kingarth St to Newton Mearns	Kilmarnock Rd Giffnock; Eastwood Toll; Ayr Rd; Old Mearns Rd; Mearnskir; Cala Homes at the top of Ayr Road	Yes	Yes	SilverFox (Supervised by Hutchesons' staff)

Please note that the below bus routes are run independently of Hutchesons' Grammar School and you should contact the bus company direct, or the administrator for that service in the first instance.

The information contained in this booklet relates to the buses that we operate only, although registers will be taken for the Hamilton bus leaving Kingarth Street for the afternoon service.

Routes	Calling at	AM	PM	Operator
Motherwell/ Hamilton/ Bothwell to Kingarth Street & Beaton Road	Motherwell; Hamilton; Bothwell; Uddingston	Yes	Yes	Clan Travel
Mearns area to Beaton Road	Broom Parish Church; Mearnskirk Roundabout; The Avenue bus stop; Colonsay Drive bus stop; ASDA loading bay; Eastwood Toll/Fenwick Road bus stop; Fenwick Rd/ Netherauldhouse Rd.	Yes	Yes	SilverFox
Beaton Road to Mearns area	Kilmarnock Road; Giffnock; Eastwood Toll; Ayr Road; Old Mearns Road; Mearnskirk; Cala Homes at the top of Ayr Road	No	Yes	SilverFox (supervised by Hutchesons' staff)
Kingarth Street to Beaton Road	Beaton Road	No	Yes	SilverFox/ Hutchesons'

ROUTES

Exact timetables can be found later in this booklet.

Kilmarnock Route

Departure Time	Location
7.30am	Ayrshire Athletics Arena Car Park Queens Drive, Kilmarnock, KAI 3XF
8.10am	Hutchesons' Grammar School, Kingarth Street
8.20am	Hutchesons' Grammar School, Beaton Road
3.15pm	Hutchesons' Grammar School, Kingarth Street
3.35pm	Hutchesons' Grammar School, Beaton Road
4.10pm	Ayrshire Athletics Arena Car Park Queens Drive, Kilmarnock, KAI 3XF

East Kilbride Route

Departure Time	Location
7.25am	The Murray Owen Centre bus stop
7.35am	East Kilbride (Aldi car park)
7.45am	Carmunnok – Hillcrest bus stop
8.15am	Hutchesons' Grammar School, Kingarth Street
8.25am	Hutchesons' Grammar School, Beaton Road
3.15pm	Hutchesons' Grammar School, Kingarth Street
3.35pm	Hutchesons' Grammar School, Beaton Road
4.00pm	Carmunnok – Hillcrest bus stop
4.10pm	East Kilbride (Aldi car park)
4.20pm	The Murray Owen Centre bus stop

Dullatur Route

This bus is organised by Hutchesons' Grammar School.

Drop off and pick up is at Kingarth Street first and then at Beaton Road.

Departure Time	Location
7.10am	Dullatur Tennis Club Antonine Road
7.20am	Eastfield Road Bus Stop (St Andrews School)
4.30pm*	Dullatur Tennis Club Antonine Road
4.40pm*	Eastfield Road Bus Stop (St Andrews School)

*Depending on traffic

West End

Departure Time	Location
8.00am	Hughenden Rugby Club
8.20am	Kingarth Street
7.30am	Beaton Road
3.10pm	Kingarth Street
3.35pm	Beaton Road
4.00pm	Hughenden Rugby Club

Mearns - Beaton Road (AM)

Departure Time	Location
7.25am	Broom Church Bus Stop
7.35am	Mearnskirk roundabout
7.40am	Avenue Bus Stop, Ayr Road
7.50am	Colonsay Drive Bus Stop, Greenfarm Road
7.52am	ASDA loading bay
7.55am	Elmwood Avenue Bus Stop
7.57am	Whitecraigs Gold Club Bus Stop
7.59am	Treemain Rd Bus Stop
8.01am	Eastwood Toll/Fenwick Road Bus Stop
8.10am	Fenwick Road/Netherauldhouse Road Bus Stop

Please note, there is no bus supervisor on the Mearns - Beaton Road (AM) route. To book a seat, please contact transport@hutchesons.org. Cost per journey is £3 on a single-journey basis.

Mearns area to Beaton Road (organised by SilverFox)

This service does not need to be booked in advance as the bus will stop at any bus stop on Ayr Road.

Kingarth Street – Mearns (PM)

Departure Time	Location
3.15pm	Hutchesons' Grammar School, Kingarth Street
3.40pm	Beaton Road
3.50pm	Kilmarnock Road
3.55pm	Giffnock
4.05pm	Eastwood Toll
4.10pm	Ayr Road
4.15pm	Old Mearns Road
4.20pm	Mearnskirk
4.30 pm	Cala Homes

All times listed are approximate.

This service is a SilverFox bus with a Hutchesons' supervisor.

*Pupils at Kingarth Street must register for this service by emailing transport@hutchesons.org.

Kingarth Street – Beaton Road (Shuttle Bus)

A bus also leaves Kingarth Street at 3.20pm, to take pupils to Beaton Road for collection by parents/carers. You must register for this service by emailing transport@hutchesons.org.

Troon – Fenwick

Departure Time	Location
7.20am	South Beach car park on Promenade
7.45am	Fenwick
8.15am	Hutchesons' Grammar School, Kingarth Street
8.30am	Hutchesons' Grammar School, Beaton Road
3.10pm	Hutchesons' Grammar School, Kingarth Street
3.30pm	Hutchesons' Grammar School, Beaton Road
4.00pm	Fenwick
4.30pm	South Beach car park on Promenade

Motherwell/Bothwell/Hamilton

Clan Travel. Please note, this is NOT run by Hutchesons' Grammar School. Contact Greg Docherty by email dgregdoc@aol.com, or call 07817896938 or 01698 833299.

Departure Time	Location
7.22am	Dalziel Park
	Airbles Road, Motherwell
7.50am	Ice Rink, Hamilton
	Race Course, Hamilton
7.56am	Da Lucianos, Bothwell
	Silver Wells, Bothwell
	The Policies, Bothwell
8.08am	Uddingston Train Station
8.25am	Hutchesons' Grammar School, Kingarth Street
8.35am	Hutchesons' Grammar School, Beaton Road
3.20pm	Hutchesons' Grammar School, Kingarth Street
3.40pm	Hutchesons' Grammar School, Beaton Road
	Uddingston
	Bothwell
	Hamilton
	Motherwell
4.45pm	Dalziel Park

**Please note that the pick-up points and drop off points are negotiable in advance between Clan Travel and parents/carers. Return journey times are not fixed or anticipated due to the M74 roadworks and congestion. Please contact Greg at Clan Travel for further information.*

Booking for Hutchesons' Buses only

In order to book your child's place, please email transport@hutchesons.org. If your booking is for the Motherwell service please contact the operator direct.

FAQS

Do the buses run every day?

Bus services begin on the first whole day of the session (Wednesday 17th August), and run every day when Junior and/or Senior pupils are at school. The exceptions are the Entrance Exam Day and Founders' Day when there will be no school transport.

On the following days, the afternoon service will run at 12.10pm from Kingarth Street and 12.30pm from Beaton Road;

- 20th December 2023
- 31st March 2023
- 21st June 2023

Are pupils supervised before the departure of the afternoon bus?

Junior School pupils are marked onto their bus, by register. If they are not going to be travelling on their allocated day for any reason, you must let us know that same day by emailing transport@hutchesons.org even if you have already notified the driver. It is the responsibility of the Senior School pupils to get themselves onto the homeward buses. There is a bus register on the bus.

Who monitors behaviour?

It is a condition of travelling on the school bus that the enclosed behaviour rules are observed at all times. Any pupil who acts in an inappropriate manner will not be allowed to use the bus service. In particular, all pupils MUST wear the seat belts provided during the journey.

Please note that school buses are not supervised (with the exception of the school bus from Kingarth Street to the Mearns area) and the school cannot accept responsibility for children until they reach their classrooms.

Concerns about behaviour should be passed to transport@hutchesons.org or your child's teacher.

What happens to lost property?

Please contact the bus operator directly if an item is left on a bus. All the drivers regularly check their buses and items can usually be found quickly and handed into Reception. These will then be passed to the lost property department.

Can my child take a friend home?

Due to the nature of the service we are offering, unfortunately this is not possible.

How does my child travel home after Games/After School Activities?

All children must make alternative arrangements if they have activities on after school.

Games Days for senior school children are as follows:

- S1 – Thursday
- S4, S5 & S6 – Wednesday
- S2 – Tuesday
- S3 – Monday

What are the adverse weather arrangements?

Snow, high wind and serious road accidents can impact the bus service but rarely cause it to be cancelled; it is essential that you keep Hutchesons' updated with your mobile telephone number so that you can be contacted at short notice. Updates will also be placed on the Parent Portal.

RULES FOR PUPILS

- You must not eat or drink on the bus. It is unfair and unacceptable that the driver should have to tidy the bus at the end of the journey.
- No litter is to be left on the bus.
- Mobile phones should only be used to make contact with a parent/ guardian.
- School bags, sports bags etc should be placed on the floor (but not in the aisle) to avoid damage to upholstery on the seats.

All these rules are designed with two aims in mind – your personal safety and the safety of every other pupil. If you are found to have misbehaved in any way you will be treated in the same manner as if you had broken any other school rule and may be excluded from using the service for a time.

On the other hand, if you are concerned by anyone else's behaviour, it is essential that you tell someone about it as soon as you reach school, so we can ensure that the rules are followed by everyone. We need your help to ensure the safety of all bus users.

Do I need to let the school know about absences?

Yes. It is very important that you let the school know as soon as possible that your child will not be travelling home on the bus. If your child uses one of the independently run buses (i.e. Paisley or Motherwell/Hamilton), you must still let the school know separately that they will not be travelling. Failure to do so results in us searching for your child and delays the buses leaving school.

Where does my child get off the bus?

Please note that the bus drivers cannot take responsibility for ensuring children get off the bus at the correct stop. We would therefore suggest that an older sibling or friend accompanies a younger child until they are confident of the stop to be used. Any child found to be on the bus

at the end of the route will be taken back to school and kept until collected by a member of the family.

What happens if my child misses the bus home?

If your child misses the bus at the end of the school day, they should go to the closest school office or find any member of staff and tell them what has happened. If we know your child has missed the bus home, we will try and contact you as soon as possible for you to come and collect them.

It is essential that you always act in such a way as to ensure your own safety and that of all other pupils using the buses. In particular, please note the following:

- You must not run or push towards the bus as it approaches; this is very dangerous and greatly concerns the bus drivers. You must not push each other, shout out or generally misbehave.
- You should enter the bus slowly and carefully and sit down immediately.
- You must remain in your seat at all times with your seat belt fastened. Never walk up and down the aisle while the bus is moving.
- Do not kneel on your seat or talk to pupils behind you. You are only safe when you are sitting in your own seat facing forward, with your seatbelt fastened.
- You must not distract the driver by talking to him while he is driving.
- You must follow any instructions the driver gives you, without questions.
- Talking on the bus is permitted, but you must not shout or make excessive noise on the bus.

Please make sure your child has read the Pupil Rules and adheres to them at all times. This is for the safety of your child and all other pupils using the bus service.

The Terms and Conditions at the end of this document should also be read before you agree to sign up for the bus service.

The School always welcomes feedback so please email any suggestions on how the service can be extended or improved to transport@hutchesons.org.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

It is a condition of travelling on the school buses that the following are acknowledged:

- All children must read the rules for pupils.
- Seatbelts must be worn for the duration of the journey. Persistent offenders will be excluded from using the bus service.
- Hutchesons' cannot accept responsibility for children until they reach their classroom.
- Bus drivers and Hutchesons' cannot take responsibility for ensuring children get off the bus at the correct stop.
- Hutchesons' and the bus companies cannot take responsibility for any property left on the buses. Many items will be returned to Lost Property at either Kingarth Street or Beaton Road. Please check there or contact the bus provider directly.
- Parents of Junior School pupils must email transport@hutchesons.org if their child is absent that day for either journey.
- Pupils must arrive at their pick-up point at least 5 minutes before the scheduled departure time.
- Charges for the bus service will be made termly in advance.
- No refunds will be given for unused journeys.