



KILMARNOCK ACADEMY



P7 Transition 2021 – Revised Plan

This revised plan aims to ensure a quality and enjoyable transition experience for all primary 7 pupils while also adhering to EAC's COVID-19 Transition Risk Assessment which states that:

- **Schools should avoid whole day visits**
- **Groups must attend in their current classes – no mixing of “bubbles”**
- **For secondary this means each primary school having their own dedicated times to visit**
- **Time spent in different rooms should be minimised**
- **Outdoor activities are best, but groups can tour inside of the school building wearing face coverings at all times**
- **Staff and secondary pupils must maintain 2m distancing from visiting groups of children at all time and groups should be accompanied by their usual class teacher**
- **Secondary Pupils visit must wear a face covering during the visit, unless exempt for medical conditions. Face covering is not required for outdoors.**

While having all P7s mixing in their new S1 classes at Kilmarnock Academy would have been the preference, this is clearly not possible and so the next best option is to provide each primary school with a half day transition experience in Kilmarnock Academy. This visit will allow P7s to see the building, tour the school, meet key personnel and experience two lessons.

Programme

Time	Activity	Key information
9.10 – 9.30am	P7s arrive by bus at KA.	Classes to be met at bus bay and delivered to atrium one class at a time as per COVID mitigations.
9.30 – 10am	Welcome by D Rose and DHT House Heads	Classes seated in atrium in “zones” as per class bubbles.
3 Activities on Rotation:		
10 – 10.40am 10.40 – 11.20am 11.20 – 12pm	1. Tour of the school by PTs Pupil Support 2. Wellbeing lesson delivered by PTs Pupil Support 3. Subject lesson delivered by KA subject teachers	Activities will be attended in class bubbles. Movement around KA will be out with the movement of KA pupils. Movement around KA will be kept to a minimum. P7s will have snack in their wellbeing lesson.
12pm – 12.30pm	Plenary and departure.	Current S1s will take questions. P7s will depart one class at a time.
Afternoon	KA Subject Departments Video	P7s to watch KA subject departments video on return to school.

Transition Dates

Date	School/Class	Time Slot
Thursday 17 th June	OPS 1	9.30 – 12.30pm
	OPS 2	
	OPS 3	
Friday 18 th June	WPS 1	9.30 – 12.30pm
	WPS 2	
	WPS 3	
Monday 21 st June	LPS	9.30 – 12.30pm
Monday 21 st June	JHPS 1	9.30 – 12.30pm
	JHPS 2 and Sgoil na Coille Nuaidh	9.30 – 12.30pm

Important Health and Safety Information

- A primary school can travel to Kilmarnock Academy with more than one class bubble per bus. However, the bubbles should not mix with each other. Two metre distancing should be maintained between bubbles.
- The minimum number of primary staff should accompany the P7 pupils. They must maintain a 2m distance from P7 pupils, KA pupils and KA staff. They must wear a face covering unless exempt. During the visit, P7 teachers will be allocated a space.
- On arrival, each class bubble will be met and escorted separately to the atrium hall where they will sanitise their hands on entry and be seated in their “zone.”
- Zones have been created in the hall to ensure class bubbles are maintained. There will be approximately 3 metres between each class bubble’s zones.
- As per the risk assessment, movement around KA will be kept to an absolute minimum. P7s will not come into contact with any KA pupils, as any corridor use will take place when secondary pupils are in class.
- Primary pupils will access a minimum number of rooms in KA with the atrium hall and two classrooms being the maximum.
- As per Kilmarnock Academy’s COVID mitigations, P7 pupils will sanitise their hands and clean desks on arrival and exit from classrooms. They will be guided in this by the class teacher.
- P7 pupils should wear face coverings throughout their visit unless exempt.

Meeting New S1 Classmates and Parental Engagement

S1 class lists will be shared with P7 teachers to seek feedback around 4th June with the aim of sharing the final lists with P7 pupils on 10th June. In recognition of the importance of P7 pupils meeting their new S1 classmates from other schools, virtual meetings will take place. Last session, due to lockdown, P7s each had a class TEAM during June where they “met” their PTPS and their new S1 classmates. The feedback from pupils, parents and primaries was extremely positive. We will replicate this model this session but we plan to enhance the experience further by involving parents/carers.

A TEAM will be created for each new S1 class where a virtual “Meet Your Class” event will take place hosted by Kilmarnock Academy’s DHT House Heads and PTs Pupil Support. These events will allow parents/carers to meet key school personnel and support the P7s in meeting their peers. One event per S1 class will take place week beginning 14th June. More details will follow.

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