



07 October 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

### Change to the 18s Bus Service

Throughout term 1, I have been working closely with the Headteacher from St Paul's RC Academy, Dundee City Council and Xplore Dundee, regarding the 18s bus service which serves both Baldragon Academy and St Paul's Academy. Issues surrounding increased capacity and behaviour have given rise to concern over the sustainability of the current service.

Therefore, from 31 October, your child will no longer be able to board the 18s school bus service on Harestane Road, unless they are entitled to statutory school transport <https://www.dundee.gov.uk/service-area/children-and-families-service/education/school-transport> or in receipt of a priority boarding pass. In consultation with Dundee City Council, priority boarding passes are based on specific personal criteria such as disability, medical or care experienced status. Priority boarding passes will be distributed to those concerned before the 18s service change.

Pupils wishing to utilise their Scottish Government Under 22 bus pass must use the 10 service. On a Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, buses are scheduled at 15.50 and on Thursday and Friday at 14.57. The nearest stop to our school is located to the rear of our school estate and is shown in the red circle below. Xplore Dundee name this bus stop as Duncan Terrace: <https://www.xploredundee.com/services/TRDU/10?date=2022-10-05&direction=inbound&all=on>.



Overleaf, you will find a route map for the number 10 service relating to our school and the St Mary's and Ardler communities.

Yours faithfully,

**Mr H McAninch**  
Headteacher

