

# Bus Routes to and from Grosvenor Grammar School



Translink (Metro) provides a number of bus routes which connect to the School. *Whilst we have made every effort to provide accurate information, the bus times given are provisional and parents are urged to check with the relevant bus company before the start of the school year.*

## BEHAVIOUR

We regularly receive compliments about the conduct of our pupils, but it only takes one misguided individual to damage the reputation of all. Pupils are reminded that School Rules apply when travelling to and from School, and of the consequences of failing to display the high standards of behaviour which we expect. Courtesy and respect for others remain important at all times.

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## A. East Belfast/Dundonald

### 1. BELMONT SERVICE: Metro 'School Special' 899

**Dep:** 7.45 from DUNDONALD TERMINUS

**Route:** Upper Newtownards Rd, Castle Hill Rd, Belmont Rd, Hollywood Rd, Dundela Ave to North Rd, Grand Parade and Castlereagh Rd

**Arr:** Orby St (Orangefield Presbyterian Church) approximately 08.13

**Return:** 15.50 from Castlereagh Rd [route : Castlereagh Rd, Knock Rd, Sandown Rd, Ballyhackamore, turns right at North Rd., Dundela Ave, Belmont Rd, Massey Ave, Castlehill Rd, Upper N'ards Rd to Dundonald (Ulster Hospital)]

### 2. DUNDONALD/BALLYBEEN/Icebowl SERVICE: Metro 188

**Dep:** 07:05 from BALLYBEEN ENLER CENTRE 7:18, 07:28 & 7.40 from East Link Rd

**Route:** Rank Rd, Grahamsbridge Rd, East Link Rd , Dundonald Icebowl 07:18, 07:30 /7.42, Gilnahirk Rd at 07:25, 07:37 & 07:49, Braniel (Farmhurst Green) 07:28 , 07:37 & 07:52, Dual Carriageway, Castlereagh Rd.

**Arr:** Orby St (Orangefield Presbyterian Church)

**Return:** 15.45, 15.49, 15.59 from Castlereagh Rd (Ulsterbus Stop on Castlereagh Rd between Houston Dr and Orby St ONLY)

### 3. DUNDONALD SERVICE: Metro 4D

**Dep:** 07:03, 07:18, 07:41 & 07:54 from DUNDONALD TERMINUS (during School term) (every 20 minutes)

**Route:** Icebowl, King's Rd, Upper Newtownards Rd, Ballyhackamore

**Arr:** Bloomfield roundabout. Pupils then walk via Grand Parade, Orangefield Lane (approximately 10 minute walk).

**Return:** 15:43, 16.04, 16.14 from Bloomfield roundabout (every 30 minutes)

#### **4. BELFAST CITY CENTRE SERVICE: Metro 5A**

**Dep:** 07.55 or 08.10 (every 15 minutes)

**Route:** Donegall Square West, Queen's Square, Mountpottinger Road, Castlereagh Road

**Return:** Departs Castlereagh Rd every 10 minutes.

#### **5. BRANIEL SERVICE (Farmhurst Green) Metro 4E**

**Dep:** 07.26, 07:46 & 08:05 (every 20 minutes)

**Route:** Kingsway Park (Gilnahirk Road), Barnett's Road, Knock Road, Clarawood Park, Clara Road, Ballyhackamore, Bloomfield Roundabout

**Return:** 15:43 & 16.14 from Bloomfield roundabout (every 20 minutes)

#### **6. BRANIEL SERVICE Metro 5A**

**Dep:** 07:36, 07:48, 08:00 & 08:10 from Braniel (Farmhurst Green)

**Route:** Whincroft Rd, Castlereagh Rd

**Arr:** 07:46, 08:00, 08:14 & 08:24

**Return:** 15:42, 15:59, 16:11, 16:23, 16:35, 16:47, 17:02

#### **7. G1 GLIDER**

**Dep:** 07:54, 07:57

**Route:** Dundonald Park and Ride (Dunlady Road), Ulster Hospital, Knock Road, Ballyhackamore

**Arr:** 08:09, 08:14 pupils walk along North Road, Orangefield Lane (20 minute walk)

**Return:** 15:44, 15:52, 15:59 (approximately every 8-10 minutes)

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### **B. North Down**

#### **1. BALLYGOWAN SERVICE: ULSTERBUS No. 12 or 'School Special'**

**Dep:** 07.40, 07.55 from BALLYGOWAN SQUARE

**Route:** Ballygowan Road

**Arr:** Castlereagh Road at 7.50, 8.15

**Return:** 15.50 or 16.20 from Castlereagh Road.

#### **2. DERRYBOYE SERVICE: ULSTERBUS No. 12**

**Dep:** 7.25 from Derryboye

**Route:** Raffrey, Carrickmannon to Ballygowan

**Arr:** Castlereagh Rd at 8.10

**Return:** 15.50, 16.20 from Castlereagh Road

#### **3. COMBER SERVICE: ULSTERBUS 'School Special'**

**Dep:** 7.43 from COMBER CEMETERY, 7.45 from Killinchy Street

**Route:** Andrew's Mill, Railway St, Belfast Rd, Dundonald, East Link Rd, Tullycarnet flats, Knock Rd, Dual Carriageway

**Arr:** Castlereagh Rd at approximately 08.15

**Return:** 15.45 from Castlereagh Rd. This Bus travels to Comber via Ballygowan. The first 'drop-off' point is near Clattering Ford on the main Ballygowan/Comber Road; the bus

then travels along to Comber Depot. This Bus DOES NOT STOP to 'drop-off' pupils before Clattering Ford.

#### **4. MONEYREA SERVICE: ULSTERBUS No. 12 (Ballygowan Bus)**

**Dep:** 07:30 & 07:45 from MONEYREA VILLAGE

**Route:** Via Crossnacreevy

**Arr:** Castlereagh Rd at 07:45, 08:00

**Return:** 15.50, 16.20

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### **C. South Belfast**

#### **1. BELVOIR SERVICE: Metro 975 (Rosetta service, no longer from Hydebank)**

Special permission to arrive in School late is granted to pupils using this service .

**Dep:** 08:35 from Rosetta (Knockbreda Road)

**Route:** Knockbreda Rd, Mount Merrion Ave, Ladas Drive, Castlereagh Rd.

**Arr:** Castlereagh Rd at 8.49

**Return:** Metro 31 - 15.40 from Castlereagh Rd (every hour). Leave bus at Sainsbury's, Forestside (Upper Galwally) and transfer to Metro 77/78 (every 30 minutes).

#### **2. FOUR WINDS SERVICE: Metro 31**

**Dep:** 07:47 from FOUR WINDS TERMINUS

**Route:** Newton Pk, Saintfield Rd, Upper Knockbreda Rd, Dual Carriageway and Castlereagh Rd

**Arr:** Castlereagh Road at approx. 8.15

**Return:** Metro 31 - 15.39 from Castlereagh Rd (every hour). Leave bus at Sainsbury's, Forestside (Upper Galwally) and transfer to Metro 7A or 7B (every 10 minutes)

#### **3. ROSETTA (Knockbreda Rd) SERVICE Metro 30**

**Dep:** 08:10

**Route:** Mount Merrion, Rosetta Rd, Upper Knockbreda Rd,

**Arr:** Castlereagh Rd at 8.17

**Return:** 15:50 (Metro 30); or 16.50 (Metro 29) from Castlereagh Rd via Montgomery Road

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### **D. Mid Down**

#### **1. SAINTFIELD AND CARRYDUFF**

Special permission to arrive in School late is granted to pupils using Metro 188D service.

**EITHER:**

**Route:** ULSTERBUS to the Saintfield Road Bus Stop opposite Sainsbury's, Forestside; connect to Metro 188 (departs Saintfield Rd at 8.30).

**Arr:** Grosvenor Grammar School at 8.50.

**OR:**

**Route:** Ulsterbus to Forestside then Metro 31 from Four Winds - Bus Stop on Upper Knockbreda Rd (Marks & Spencer side). Pupils use the pedestrian crossing in order to cross the Saintfield/Ormeau Rd and then join the Metro 31 Service (departing approximately 7.55) to Castlereagh Road.

**Arr:** Castlereagh Road at 8.15

**Return:** 15.40 from Castlereagh Road Metro (No. 31) (every 60 minutes). Leave bus at Sainsbury's, Forestside (Upper Galwally) and transfer to ULSTERBUS on Ormeau/Saintfield Rd.

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## **TRANSPORT**

Many parents are concerned about the policy of the Department of Education of Northern Ireland (DENI) on transporting pupils to and from school. Our experience is that despite recent changes in the law there has been virtually no change in the transport arrangements for the vast majority of our potential pupils. Those living more than three miles away from their nearest suitable grammar school continue to receive free transport. Individual locations may vary; we are happy to discuss the matter with parents/guardians requiring more information.