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To Parents/Guardians of Senior Music
Camp Pupils

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Date 12 March 2026

Dear Parents/Guardians

Perth & Kinross Senior Music Camp, 6-9 April 2026

I am writing to inform you of final arrangements for the above Music Camp.

Please find enclosed with this letter a transport timetable informing you where and when your child will be collected to be taken to the camp on Monday 6 April.

If you choose to bring your child to camp separately, please contact a member of staff in the Staff Room on arrival so they can be registered and allocated a dormitory. Staff will be available from 10.30am – 11.30am.

Staff will be present in the dormitories whilst pupils are getting ready for bed after the evening entertainment finishes at 11.00pm until 'lights out' which is normally 11.30pm. After lights out, dormitories will be checked regularly.

Fire and Safety procedures will be explained to the children at a meeting on the first morning of camp.

Pupils will be allowed to visit Aberfoyle village in their free time during the day but should do so in groups and must inform a member of staff and sign in and out of camp from the registers located in the staff room.

The emergency contact numbers are:

- Dounan Centre Managers Office: 01877 382291
- Lynsey Paterson, Senior Camp Leader: 07584 385 389
- Iona Crosby, Deputy Camp Leader: 07584 385 387

We do encourage pupils to participate in the evening entertainment as it is an integral part of the camp programme. If your child wishes to go to bed early because they are very tired or because they are feeling unwell, they must tell their dorm leader in the first instance. This is to make sure staff are aware and can regularly check children who are not present at the entertainment during the evening.

12 March 2026

To Parents/Guardians of Senior Music Camp pupils

On the last day (Thursday) after lunch, pupils will be taken from the camp, by bus, back to their original pick-up points (please see enclosed timetable).

As per normal Perth & Kinross Council procedures, a full camp risk assessment and insurance information is available on request.

This year the music camp concerts are as follows:

Senior Music Camp Concert, St John's Kirk, Perth, Saturday 11 April 2026, 1.30pm
Rehearsal times below:

- Perth & Kinross Big Band – 10.30am
- Wind Orchestra – 10.55am
- Senior String Orchestra – 11.20am
- Percussion Ensemble – 11.45am
- Choir – 12.10pm
- Pipe Band – 12.35pm

Concert starts at 1.30pm. Please bring a packed lunch. **Please note no transport is provided.**

Admission: Tickets for the above concert cost £5 per adult, no concessions, and will be available to purchase on the door. **Cash only please.**

For your information, our parent support body, Young Musicians' Parents' Association (YMPA), will be making a collection to allow them to continue their support for our young instrumentalists. Donations will be kindly received!

Perth Youth Orchestra Camp Concert, St John's Kirk, Saturday 11 April 2026
Rehearsal: 4pm – 6pm.

Concert starts at 7.30pm. Please bring a packed tea. **Please note no transport is provided.**

Admission: Tickets for the above concert cost £5 per adult, no concessions, and will be available to purchase on the door. **Cash only please.**

For your information, Perth Youth Orchestra will be making a collection to allow them to continue their support for our young instrumentalists. Donations will be kindly received!

If you have any queries on the above details, please contact me on 01738 477873.

Enclosed with this letter is an information sheet regarding some of the necessary articles to take on the course as well as some information about the camp and certain rules. If there is anything you wish to discuss further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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To Parents/Guardians of Senior Music Camp pupils

I look forward to yet another successful, fun music camp.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lynsey Paterson', written over a light blue horizontal line.

Lynsey Paterson
Music Co-ordinator

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**Senior Music Camp
Dounan's Centre, Aberfoyle
6-9 April 2026**

Music Camp Information Sheet

Pupils should bring the following to the course:

Any music which has been issued, instrument (including spare reeds and strings, mutes etc as these will not be provided), a pencil and an eraser.

Camp information

What clothes should be taken? Waterproof coat, warm jersey, strong boots/shoes, towel and soap. Casual clothes are fine. The weather can still be quite changeable at this time of year so take something warm as well. A fleece is ideal.

Are there sheets & pillowcases supplied? Yes, pupils are all issued with a duvet and fresh duvet cover, bed sheet and pillowcase. Some pupils take their own sleeping bag for extra comfort.

Can pupils swap dorms to be with their friends? Yes. As much as possible we try to allow pupils to change dorms in the course of the first day. Accurate dorm lists are then compiled in the evening and thereafter no swapping is permitted.

Is spending money required? Pupils will be able to visit Aberfoyle village during the day therefore, spending opportunities will be possible.

Are mobile phones allowed? Yes, but they are entirely the responsibility of the owner. In the event of a pupil feeling unwell or home-sick, in the first instance they should contact the member of staff in charge of the dormitory or the camp first aider. Pupils should not phone parents if they are feeling unwell without first speaking to camp staff as this can cause distress for pupils, parents and staff. There is a payphone within the camp for those without mobiles. **As modern day mobiles also have access to the internet, it is essential that there is no inappropriate use of these devices.**

What do the meals consist of?

- Cereal and a drink
- Lunch with a drink
- Dinner is two courses with a drink
- Supper sandwiches and a hot drink

Discipline: A serious breach of discipline or persistent breaches of the course rules will result in parents being requested to collect their child from the course, or the child will be sent home at the parent's expense and will not be permitted to take part in the forthcoming concert. Parents can obtain a copy of these rules by emailing MusicService@pkc.gov.uk

NB I have been asked by Scottish Centres to emphasise the fact that, because of the fire regulations, electrical heating or cooking appliances (fires, toasters, sandwich makers etc) are not permitted. Please do not bring any such appliance as they constitute a serious fire hazard. Auxiliary appliances such as hair straighteners, hair dryers, mobile phone chargers and music systems are allowed but must not be left on unattended or overnight.

What do the pupils do in the evening when rehearsals have finished? During the week the pupils will have a quiz night, silent disco and a Ceilidh.

Who should parents call in an emergency? Contact telephone numbers for the course leader and deputy leader are as follows:

- Dounans Centre Managers Office: 01877 382291
- Lynsey Paterson, Senior Camp Leader: 07584 385 389
- Iona Crosby, Deputy Camp Leader: 07584 385 387

What is the concert uniform? Black trousers/skirt, white shirt, black shoes and school or central group ties. Central Groups ties will be provided to pupils who do not have one.

Can pupils be photographed at the Concert? Yes, parents will be allowed to take photographs at performances (no flash photography please). There may also be some press photographs taken so parents are reminded that if they have concerns their children should be withdrawn from press photography. Please contact us, if you have not already done so on your application form, regarding this.

What if property has been left at camp? Lost property will be held at the North Inch Community Campus, Perth. Parents wishing to check the lost property box should phone 01738 477878 or email Musicservice@pkc.gov.uk to arrange to search this.

**Senior Music Camp 6-9 April 2026
Transport Timetable**

Area	Pick-up point	Mon 6 April Leave	Thurs 9 April Return
AUCHTERARDER (including Blackford, Dunning & Greenloaning)	AYTOUN HALL	10.00am	4.30pm
BLAIRGOWRIE (including Alyth & Coupar Angus)	WELLMEADOW	9.10am	5.20pm
CRIEFF (Including Comrie)	CRIEFF SQUARE	9.35am	4.55pm
KINROSS (including Kinnesswood, Leslie, Milnathort & Wester Balgedie)	KINROSS HIGH SCHOOL, LOCH LEVEN CAMPUS	9.45am	4.45pm
PERTH (including Aberfeldy, Abernyte, Bridge of Earn, Dalguise, Dunkeld, Forgendenny, Glenfarg, Kinfauns, Longforgan, Meikleour, Murthly, Scone & Tibbermore)	PERTH HIGH SCHOOL Lower Car Park Oakbank Road	9.50am	4.40pm

The bus times for this year's Music Camp are listed above. If the town you live in is not listed, you should get on the bus at the nearest listed town/village.

For those leaving on the music camp buses from **Perth High School lower car park, Oakbank Road**, these will leave on the Monday at 9.50am. Can parents please park their cars away from the bus bays which are located at the Oakbank Primary School side of the car park?