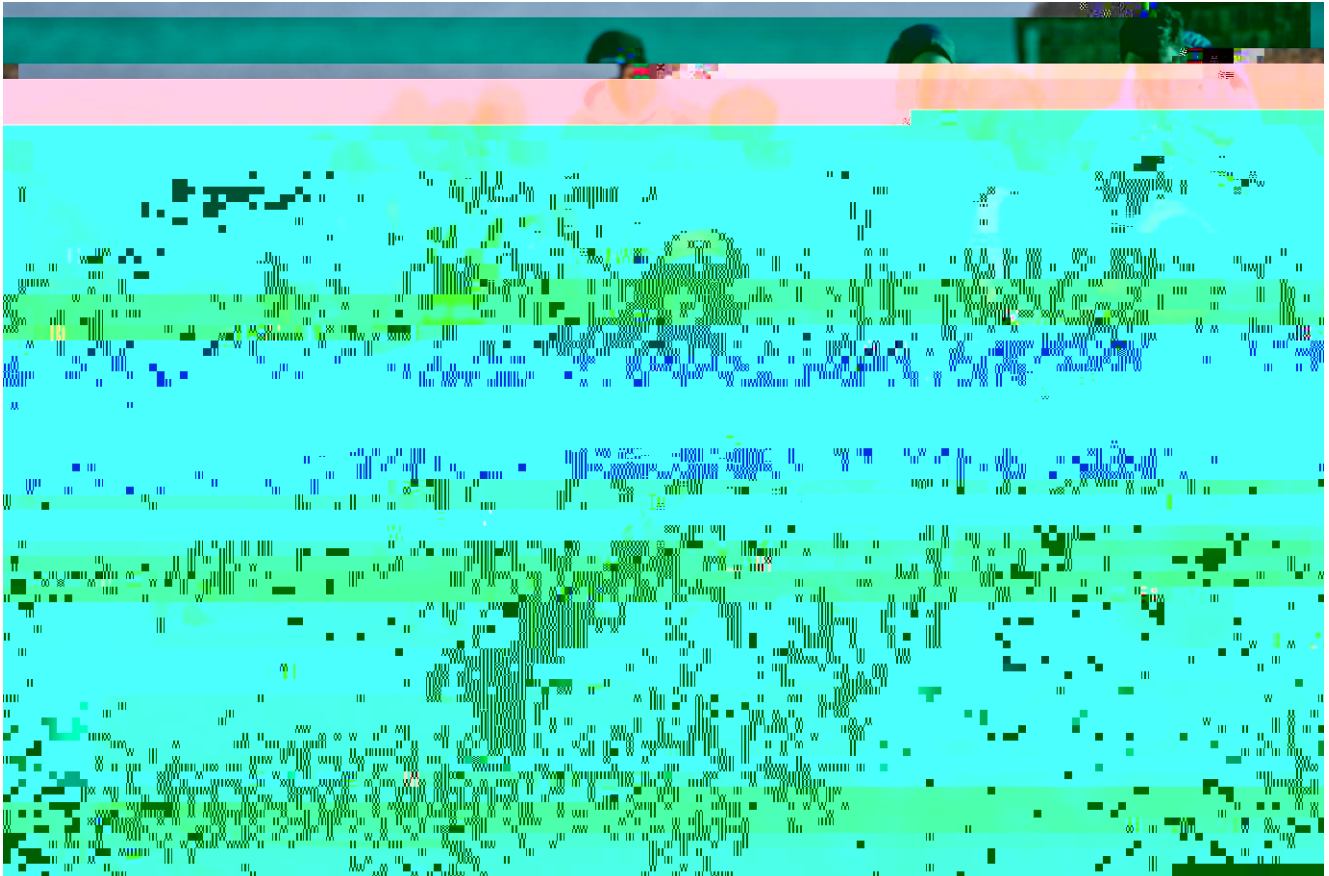


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The Hands Up Scotland Survey (HUSS) is the largest national dataset to look at how children travel to school across Scotland.

Following the passing of a Parliamentary Order on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2012, HUSS has been published as an Official Statistic in Scotland. This is a great achievement as the Official Statistic status

The necessary survey materials may be found enclosed in the email which included this guidance or alternatively can be found on the Sustrans website:

You've received your survey pack from your local authority or you've obtained this online. What should you do now to prepare to undertake the survey in your school or nursery?

Your HUSS leader could be your school's head teacher, school secretary or a teacher with an interest in the survey such as your school's Eco Club leader.

The survey must be conducted during the specified survey week **F**  
Each class in your school should conduct the survey on one day only.

Try to plan for a day when all classes can take part - be aware of school trips!

If you are a nursery school with a morning and afternoon session, you may conduct the survey twice during the same day in order to capture responses from both your morning and afternoon sessions. Please remember to add up the responses before submitting your results.

Usually, schools find it easiest to conduct the survey during the morning registration period.  
Some smaller schools prefer to conduct the survey during a school assembly.  
Some schools opt to conduct the survey during lesson time.

Most schools ask individual class teachers to conduct the survey with their class. However, in some schools, the nominated HUSS leader will visit each class in turn to conduct the survey.

If your individual class teachers will be conducting the survey, please ensure all class teachers have a survey form and are aware of when and how to conduct the survey. Select the correct survey forms for your school - there are forms for nursery, primary and secondary.

Fill in the class names on the survey forms before you hand the forms out to teachers.

The chosen date for the survey in your school has arrived. How should teachers / the HUSS leader conduct the survey?

Count the number of pupils present and note this on the survey form.



If you have any queries regarding the information in this document please do not hesitate to contact your local authority representative or the HUSS team:

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