



# Primary School Road Safety Education 2024/2025





## We all have a responsibility when it comes to pedestrian road safety.

Road safety is a vital part of a child's learning and helps to keep them safe throughout their life. We offer a range of age-appropriate lessons, designed to positively enrich student's road safety knowledge and behaviour at each stage of their development.

We encourage you to incorporate these lessons into your timetable, many of which are available remotely.

Officers are available to consult on issues connected with road safety education, bespoke lessons for special schools and active travel matters too.

#### **Early Years**

#### **Foundation Stage**

#### (EYFS)

## The Green Cross Code (Year R)

A lesson to introduce students to the 'Green Cross Code' through practicing the 'Stop, Look, Listen & Think' actions. Further, the importance of holding hands with grown-ups whilst crossing the road and an introduction to basic road safety vocabulary, is included.

Delivered through role play, a Road Safety Officer leads the 45-minute lesson.

#### **Key Stage 1**

### Road Safety Walk (Years 1/2)

Students are taken on a short, chaperoned walk, just outside of the school gates to refresh their knowledge of the Green Cross Code. They will become road safety detectives, to familiarise with a roadside environment and identify safer places to cross the road.

A Road Safety Officer leads the lesson, with the assistance of school staff.

Please allow approximately 60 minutes and please note, schools are responsible for children during this activity using the school's own Health and Safety criteria.

## Scooter Skills Challenge (Years 1/2)

An interactive fun lesson, to practice scooter skills such as steering, swerving and braking. Led by teachers, students hit their own playground tarmac to practice the skills for themselves! Please register your interest by email for a lesson plan and resources.



#### **Key Stage 2**

## Road Safety Sequencing (Year 3/4)

Students refresh their knowledge of the Green Cross Code by exploring the importance of putting a sequence into the correct order. This lesson is Road Safety Officer led, in-person and approximately 45 minutes

#### **Seatbelt Sled (Years 5/6)**

An interactive lesson delivered in Term 5, to reinforce the importance of wearing a seatbelt whilst a passenger. You will need clear access to a playing field (grass only). Please register interest by emailing

RoadSafety.Education@ Medway.gov.uk

## Independent Travel (Years 5/6)

Designed to be delivered during Term 6 and support Year 6 students in their transition to secondary school.

The lesson covers the basics of the Green Cross Code, identifying safer places to cross and how to overcome potential hazards.

This is a Road Safety Officer inperson led lesson of approximately 55 minutes.

#### Be Bright Be Seen

Students build on their knowledge of the Green Cross Code and explore the importance of being seen whilst travelling as a pedestrian or cyclist. This 45 minute lesson is led by teachers.

Please register your interest by email for a lesson plan and resources:

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## Active travel and School travel plans

Maintaining an active lifestyle is key to aiding a child's physical development and mental wellbeing. Getting into good habits early will encourage children to make more healthy choices throughout their life. Whether it's walking, cycling or scooting to school - the benefits are numerous!

A school travel plan sets out the key objectives and actions that your school will undertake to improve road safety and promote sustainable travel to help reduce the reliance on cars for journeys to and from school. To find out more, visit:

Medway.gov.uk/SchoolTravelPlan

To find out how your school can get involved with active and sustainable travel, please email the Transport Initiatives Team:

TransportInitiatives @Medway.gov.uk

#### **Bikeability (Year 6)**

Training takes place at your school over two days. The first session is in the playground, and if Level 1 is achieved training continues on the road. Up to 12 pupils per course age 10+. Schools can book more than one course.

Visit: **Medway.gov.uk/Bikeability** for more information.

#### **Contact us**

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