

## **Salford Primary School Travel Policy 2021-2022**

We actively encourage our pupils and staff to walk, scoot or cycle to school as they:

- keep us fit and healthy
- help our pupils develop road safety skills which will keep them safe as they travel further afield and more independently
- help keep our local air clean, and our streets free from congestion
- are life skills that everyone should be able to benefit from

### **What we do**

We use Modeshift STARS to update and monitor our school travel plan.

We promote safe and active travel as much as possible by using displays, newsletter and website at <http://www.salfordschool.org.uk>

We encourage all members of our school community to walk, cycle or travel by public transport for the journey to school. To support this, we provide:

- Cycle training (Bikeability with KS2)
- Pedestrian training (KS1)
- Cycle parking
- Scooter parking
- Public transport information

Local school trips are made by; local coach companies when appropriate or on foot if the destination is close by. We let all new pupils and their parents/carers know that we promote healthy and sustainable travel to school before the child starts at our school.

### **What we ask of parents**

Please encourage your child(ren) to walk, scoot or cycle to school whenever possible.

Ensure your child(ren) walk or ride sensibly and safely on the way to and from school, and to push bikes and scooters on school grounds.

Ensure that bicycles and scooters are roadworthy and properly maintained. If in doubt consult a qualified mechanic.

Consider providing your child(ren) with a cycle helmet.

Ensure your child(ren) can be seen by fitting lights to their bike by supplying them with high-visibility clothing.

Make sure your child(ren) has a lock for their bike or scooter and that they know how to use it.

Ensure you have appropriate insurance cover for your child(ren)'s bicycle or scooter as the school is not liable for any loss or damage to cycles or scooters on the premises or being used on the way to or from school.

If you travel by bus, can you get off the bus at least two stops early and walk the last part of the journey?

We understand that sometimes there is no alternative to driving to school.

Where a car must be used we ask parents to drive only part of the way, and drop their child(ren) off away from the school so that some of the journey can be walked or scooted.

We suggest parents park a 5 / 10 minute walk away from the school.

If you do have to drive your child(ren) and stop in the near vicinity please do so legally, safely and with respect for our neighbours and local residents.

It is not acceptable to park or wait on double yellow lines, on the school zigzags or across residential driveways for any period of time.

Please note that the decision on whether a child is competent to cycle or scoot to school is for the parent(s) or carer(s) to make. The school has no liability for any consequences arising from this decision.

### **What we ask of pupils**

Ask your parents if you can walk, scoot or cycle to school.

Behave in a way that shows you and the school in the best light whether walking, scooting, cycling or using public transport.

Ride or walk courteously, sensibly and safely on the way to and from school.

Dismount and push bikes and scooters whilst on school grounds.

Check that your bike or scooter is roadworthy and properly maintained.

Wear a cycle helmet.

Make sure you can be seen by using lights in the dark or bad weather and by wearing high-visibility clothing.

Make sure you have a lock for your bike or scooter and that you use it.

### **Travel Ambassadors and School events**

UKS2 Junior Travel Ambassadors (JTA) are given opportunities to help to make travelling to and from school safer and more active for their friends and classmates.

Junior Travel Ambassadors will research, plan, promote and deliver safer, active and independent travel activities (assemblies, competitions and events) in our school under adult supervision.

## Action Plan

Objectives	Measure and Actions Required	Responsibility	Start & Finish	Outcome: Success Criteria (to be reviewed in Spring 2022)
Be Healthy and Sustainable	Cycle storage facilities	AB	In place to be added to as required	
	Promote sustainable travel to parents via texts/newsletters/website/twitter/prospectus/new parent meetings	AB	Ongoing	
	Bikeability cycling proficiency for all year 5 (spring term) & year 6 (summer term) NEW – proposals to offer to younger ages	Clare Graham B&NES	Ongoing each year Y5/6 course over four weeks	
	Take part in <a href="#">national walk to school week</a> including sticker competition	AB	Ongoing – each year Next = 16-20 May 2022	
	Take part in the Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel (previously The Big Pedal) annual cycle/walk/scoot to school challenge. Big Walk and Wheel is the UK's largest inter-school cycling, walking and scooting challenge. It inspires pupils, staff and parents to choose people power for their journey to school.	AB	Ongoing – each year Next: 21 <sup>st</sup> March - 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2022	Complete Hands-up Travel Survey (pupils and staff) Junior Travel Ambassadors Add 2 Targets to Modeshift STARS
	Take part in Mental Health Awareness Week.	AB	1 <sup>st</sup> – 7 <sup>th</sup> February 2022	

On 1 <sup>st</sup> – 7 <sup>th</sup> February B&NES Council will be drawing attention to the mental health benefits of walking and cycling.		Visit the B&NES Public Health website for school resources to promote mental health <a href="http://thehub.bathnes.gov.uk/Page/11238">http://thehub.bathnes.gov.uk/Page/11238</a>	
Bike Week/Organise annual 'bling up your bike' day Well-being breakfast for KS2 children to coincide with Bike Week?	AB	Ongoing – once a year. Next: 8 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> June	
Celebrate Clean Air Day	AB	Promote in school. Have a look at the B&NES Schools Clean Air Toolkit: <a href="http://thehub.bathnes.gov.uk/Page/1124">http://thehub.bathnes.gov.uk/Page/1124</a> <a href="http://www.cleanairday.org.uk/">www.cleanairday.org.uk/</a> An event to raise awareness of an urgent public health issue – air pollution.  June - date TBC  Travel Ambassadors lead an assembly	
Organise annual sustainable travel and road safety awareness week	AB	Bi-annual event	

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Be Healthy and Sustainable cont...	Participate in a themed badge competition giving pupils the chance to create one of the 11 WOW badges (Living Streets' year-round walk to school challenge). The 'Design a Badge Competition' is a great warm-up to 'Walk to School Week' in May.	AB	Date TBC	
	Look into scooter training for all year 5 pupils	AB	TBC	
	Investigate pedestrian education/training	AB	TBC	
	Promote Cycle to Work cycle purchase scheme to staff	AB	Ongoing	
Be Safe of the Journey to/from School	Target new parents regarding school traffic/parking policy in school prospectus and new parents evening	AB	Ongoing New parents meeting	
	Regular reminders about responsible parking sent to parents in newsletter and number plates taken or irresponsible drivers	AB/Caretaker	Ongoing– as and when required, copies of articles kept as evidence.	
	Enforce zig-zags: support from PCSOs	PCSOs	Ongoing	
	Investigate new source for potential road safety road shows	AB	TBC	
	Road safety education in curriculum – increase current level of education, make sure resources/links are available to all teachers	AB	Safety themes built into topic themes throughout Terms 5 and 6.	
	Road Safety Week-annual travel and road safety awareness.		Pedestrian training for year 5/6 January 19 <sup>th</sup> online training	
	Encourage use of Crown Public House car park for parents informal 'park and stride'	AB	Ongoing	

	Continue to lobby council re crossing on Manor Road	Environment Governor & B&NES	Ongoing	
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Be Safe of the Journey to/from School cont...	NEW Investigate potential for 'park and stride' car park to west of school	AB/PEP	Initial review indicates no suitable parking areas are available. Will continue to promote Crown car park.	
	Promote use of high vis clothing and cycle helmets for cycling and scooting	AB	Ongoing	
	Investigate potential to increase parking restrictions in local area by contacting Highways Dept	Environment Governor & B&NES	Ongoing	
	Continue to investigate improving lighting on local footpaths	Environment Governor & B&NES	Ongoing	
	Promote car sharing amongst parents who live in Keynsham.	AB	Ongoing	
Be Aware of Transport and Travel Issues	Promote car sharing amongst staff	AB	Ongoing, and to all new starters	
	Include travel topics in curriculum and provide teaching staff with links to available material	Ongoing		
	Regular reminders about responsible parking sent to parents	Ongoing		
	Promote local travel activities to parents	AB	Ongoing	

Republish 'safer routes to school' leaflet	AB	Summer Term	
Continue liaising with School Council on travel issues	AB	Ongoing	



