

Kidbrooke Park Primary School

School Travel Policy

We are a happy and healthy school

Kidbrooke Park Primary School is committed to promoting our community to travel actively to and from school. Our School Travel Policy has been put in place for the following reasons:

- We understand that walking, cycling and scooting are great ways to keep us fit and healthy.
- It helps our whole school community develop good road safety skills, which will give them essential life skills during their lifetime.
- We strongly believe that learning to scoot and cycle is a valuable life skill that everyone should be able to benefit from and have access to.
- Walking and cycling help keep our local air clean and our local streets free from congestion.
- It promotes good relationships with our neighbours and fosters a sense of community.
- Our children enjoy scooting and cycling to school.

What we will do:

- Local trips that are nearby will be made on foot. For local school trips, we will use public transport where possible.
- Before a new pupil starts, we will inform the parents/carers of the new child that our school promotes active travel.
- We encourage all members of our school community to walk, scoot, cycle or travel by public transport to get to school.
- We will review the walk to school map so our families know where they can park and finish their journey on foot.
- We provide ample parking for bikes and scooters within the school grounds.
- In cases where a car is necessary, we request that parents only drive part of the way, park away from school, and walk the last few minutes of the journey ('park and stride').
- We will continue to promote safe and active travel as much as possible by using our noticeboard, newsletters and website.
- We will participate in various campaigns and initiatives that promote active travel both to and from school and outside of school.
- We provide Zip card information to our Year 6 pupils, explaining the benefits of active travel and the necessary details in obtaining the card.

What we are going to do more of in 2024:

- Our Travel School Champions will hold half-term meetings to review and discuss what we want to develop in the next half-term.
- To promote child safety on their way to and from school, we will work with SLT to urge parents of Kidbrooke Park to refrain from parking or dropping off passengers on the zigzag lines during restricted hours.
- We will continue to promote safe and active travel as much as possible by using our noticeboard, newsletter and website.
- Our Travel School Champions will review the walk-to-school map, so our families know where to park and finish their journey on foot.
- We will challenge more families to walk, scoot, or cycle to reduce the number of car trips associated with the school journey and lower our carbon footprint.
- We are going to explore more opportunities for car-sharing among staff.
- We are going to promote the Cycle to Work Scheme amongst our staff.