

Road Safety Education in Hampshire

Primary Road Safety update

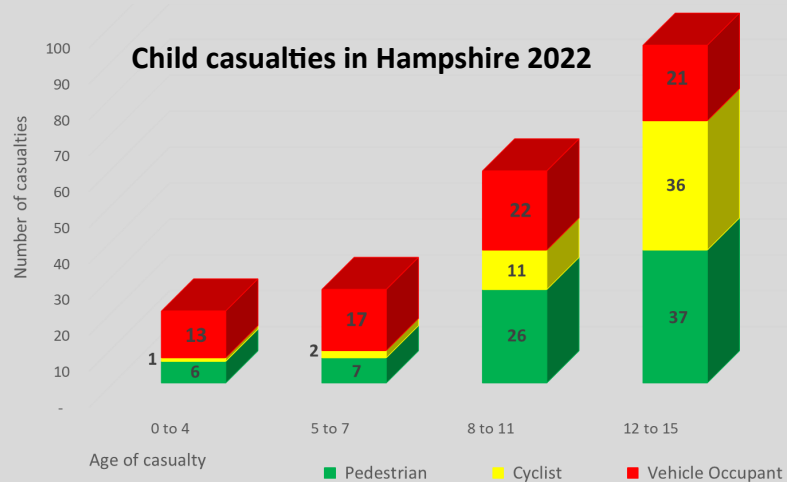
Spring 2024

It is so important for young people's mental health and well being for them to be active and walk and cycle however, it is also essential that they can do these safely.

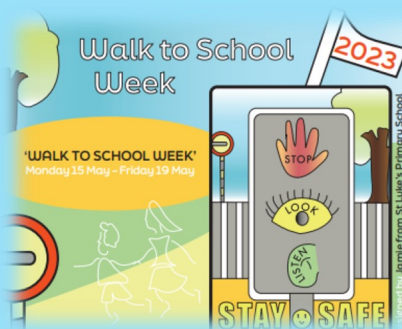
Schools and parents have the responsibility of sharing key road safety messages to ensure young people are aware of the dangers of the road from an early age. This newsletter shares a variety of ways your school can support your pupils in understanding what safer choices they can make, now and in the future.

This graph shows our child casualties in 2022; 199 children and young people were injured or seriously injured between the age of 0 - 15 years on Hampshire's roads.

All of our schemes and campaigns are free of charge to all schools; you just need to sign up and support us in educating young people. Find out more information about what is available below and overleaf.



Walk to School Week 2024



Register your school here - [Walk to School Week registration](#)

Would you like to encourage your school community to be more active, create a healthier and safer environment outside your school whilst teaching key road safety skills? Register now to take part in this year's Walk to School Week from **Monday 16 May - Friday 20 May 2024**.

Help us to promote our road safety messages to your school community by encouraging parents to walk, scoot or cycle to school every day for one week.

Taking part in this week gives you the opportunity to encourage parents to park further away from school and walk part of the way; promoting healthy living, reduce congestion outside your school as well as teaching essential pedestrian and road safety skills for the whole week.

To register for the event, please complete the form [Walk to School Week registration form](#).

When registering your school, you will have the option to choose editable online material only, paper material which will be sent via the Schools Courier Service or both options.

See overleaf for another exciting competition for your pupils to design this year's Walk to School Week material and help us share this important key message.

Virtual JRSO training

These sessions are for **untrained JRSOs who haven't attended training this academic year.**

The Junior Road Safety Officer (JRSO) scheme helps us share our key messages to primary aged children across Hampshire. Having highlighted how important road safety education is, you can support us in joining this scheme. Read below to find out more.

The JRSO scheme gives pupils ownership of theirs and their peer's learning by leading activities and assemblies to share road safety messages. JRSOs can be creative and have fun whilst educating the children in their school about the dangers of the road and how to keep themselves and others around them safe.

JRSO training is offered free of charge and virtually via Microsoft Teams so is convenient for you and your school. Children can be on or off camera when participating in the training.

After the training, the JRSOs will have the knowledge and ideas to teach their peers and will also receive support and ideas throughout the year for various campaigns, competitions and activities they can run. The JRSOs can be from Year 5 and 6 and you can invite up to four children for the virtual training.

Please see below for dates and times available for schools who don't already have JRSOs trained.

- **Wednesday 7 February 2023 from 13:00 - 15:00**
- **Friday 9 February 2023 from 10:00 - 12:00**
- **Tuesday 20 February 2023 from 13:00 - 15:00**

To register for the training, please visit [JRSO training registration form](#) and select your choice of date.

If you have any questions regarding the training, the scheme or road safety education, please email jrso@hants.gov.uk.

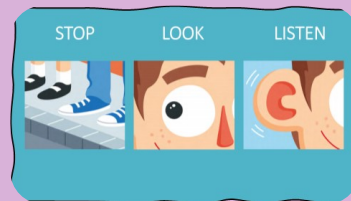


Year Two virtual workshop — extra date

The Road Safety Team launched a Year Two virtual workshop in November, sharing basic pedestrian safety messages with a younger audience.

With over 50 schools attending in November and some really positive feedback, we are running it again as well as developing additional ones to teach our key pedestrian safety messages.

The workshop is aimed at Year Two pupils and is twenty minutes long and includes a short presentation, videos and interactive questions for the children to answer in their classes. The aim of the session is to remind the children of the basic rules of the green cross code, the importance of holding hands, looking and listening as well as finding a safe place to cross.



How do we cross the road safely?

This workshop is free to all schools and will be on **Friday 24 January from 13:20 - 13:40**. All you need to do to attend with your Year Two pupils is register at via this link [Year Two virtual workshop](#).

Please note, we will be promoting the next workshop during the Spring term so keep a look out on your email.

Green Cross Code competition

With the Spring term here, the Road Safety Team are starting to think about Walk to School Week and promoting the Green Cross Code message. For this, we are asking your pupils to design a new bright, eye-catching and informative poster on crossing the road safely.

What do you need to do?

To take part, register at [poster competition registration](#). Once registered, you will receive a link to a pedestrian safety presentation which we ask you share with your pupils. Then set them the task of designing a poster which must include some of the following points:

- **Green Cross Code**
 - Stop, look, listen and think
 - Find a safe place to cross where you can see what is coming
- **Giving the road their full attention**
 - Don't be distracted



The winning artwork will be used on the wall planner, parent letter and certificates and will help us share our pedestrian messages with the children and their families who take part in Walk to School Week. It will also be used on social media and in presentations shared with all schools.

Please note, all entries need to be emailed to road.safety@hants.gov.uk by Friday 9 February 2024.

FREE parking banner

Do you have an issue with parents parking on your zig-zag lines or directly outside your school, meaning pedestrians struggle to cross safely? To support your school with this situation, the Road Safety Team can produce a banner to go outside your school with your own personal slogan - for free!

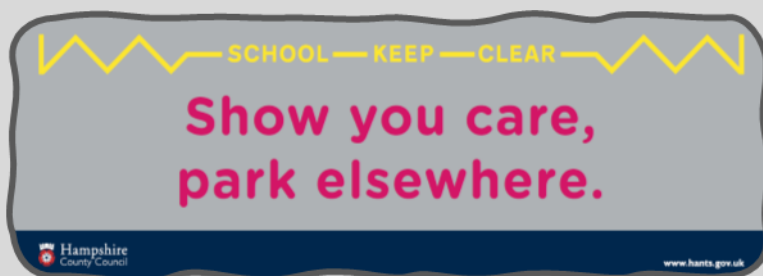
How to produce your banner

Run a competition with the children to create a slogan for the banner; this could be across the whole school or in a particular year group. The only information required for the banner is the actual text however, why not get the children to produce posters or leaflets, which can be displayed inside the school or handed out to your school community to support the parking campaign.

The slogan

We ask pupils to think of a message which they feel would encourage their parents to park away from the gates. Here are a few examples which other schools have used:

- Show you care, park elsewhere!
- Please don't park but drive with care, little children everywhere.
- Don't you know the zig zag rule? Please don't park outside our school!
- Be a nice fellow, don't park on the yellow!



Many children come up with rhyming slogans but this isn't essential. The slogan needs to be short and catchy with a maximum of twelve words. For further information on running the Parking Banner Scheme at your school, please email road.safety@hants.gov.uk.