

MILVERTON PRIMARY SCHOOL



Travel to School Leaflet 2014

Why is how we get to school so important?

Beyond the health and social benefits, at Milverton Primary School we experience real traffic congestion and difficulties parking, at the beginning and end of the school day. This is why Milverton Primary School encourages pupils and adults to walk, scooter, or cycle whenever possible.

This leaflet suggests how to get to school more safely, aiming to benefit everyone in our school community.

Also included in this leaflet are ideas and guidelines for car users.

If we walk, scooter and cycle.....

There will be fewer cars around the school making it safer for everyone

If you go in the car it will cause more traffic jams. If you walk its quicker to cross the roads and get to school

Archie & me walk together every day...we can talk about random stuff.

We can make new friends. Walking to school is a great opportunity to be sociable

We cross over with Bob the Lollipop man.

It prepares you for walking to Secondary School.

Children can practise their road safety skills

It wakes you up a lot to start the day. If you go in the car you just sit there.

You have to listen – You can hear the cars coming

Children arrive at school more alert and ready to learn

It's like doing another sport.

I tried to walk to school for 1 week. It gave me more energy for the start of the day.

It's great for our health

It doesn't pollute the air.

It gives the trees more to breathe.

It's good for the environment. There is less pollution

Cycling and Scootering is Cool! We have plenty of space for children to leave their scooters and bikes during the school day. Does your child have a correct fitting cycle helmet?

Drivers

We understand that for some people walking, cycling, or scootering is not possible.

If you use a car, have you thought about:

PARK & STRIDE

- *Parking a short walk away from school. This reduces congestion around the school making the area safer for everyone*

Or CAR SHARE

- *Sharing trips to school with others you can save money and time, and helps to reduce the number of cars on local roads*

When driving to school please:

- *Keep to the speed limit*
- *Don't park on the pavement. It can be dangerous to pedestrians and wheelchair users*
- *Don't drop off or park on zig zag or double yellow lines. These lines allow space for pupils to cross safely*
- *Do not park on junctions. This is hazardous because it blocks visibility*

It is harder for children to cross roads between parked cars than adults because they are smaller and may not be able to see oncoming traffic



Please avoid driving through and parking in the highlighted area. Find alternative streets to drop off



At Milverton Primary School we take travelling to school seriously. We offer many opportunities for pupils to get involved:

- Walk to school week
- Road Safety Education
- Workshops led by local Police Community Support Officers
- Free Bike checks
- Cycle Awareness courses
- Performance from visiting theatre group.



Make sure that you use Bob, our Crossing Patrol on Northumberland Road!

Please contact Parent Governor: Emma Caplin with your suggestions and ideas. This leaflet is a summary of our full school travel plan

(See the school website for the complete version)