

Time for Road Safety



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The newsletter from the LRSP Education Team

Term 4 –Primary Parents

Schools reopening

Now schools have reopened, the warmer Spring weather will hopefully encourage more parents to make the school run on foot.

It may be a while since parents and children were regularly out and about near to roads so children may need reminding how to stay safe.

There may be more traffic as parents choose to transport pupils themselves instead of using provided options. Some drivers could be out of practice if they have rarely driven since last year.

We have put together some tips for staying safe near the roads.

Top tips for staying safe

- ✓ Children should walk on the inside of the footpath, furthest away from traffic and parked cars.
- ✓ Children need to stay close to an adult. Younger pupils could either hold your hand or the handle of a pushchair.
- ✓ Always teach children to Stop, Look, Listen and Think when crossing roads.
- ✓ Encourage children to always wait for the green person before stepping onto a light-controlled crossing. Be cautious that some drivers don't always stop for a red traffic light.
- ✓ Don't forget to keep a look out for traffic on driveways and in car parks. Please reinforce the message that vehicles can come from any direction, not just left or right down the road.



- ✓ Choose safe places to cross roads. Lollipop person (School Crossing Patrols), zebra crossings and light-controlled pedestrian crossings are there to help!

- ✓ Remind children, the shortest walking routes are not always the safest!

Road safety education in schools

Road Safety Officers from Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership deliver practical pedestrian awareness to children in year 2 and advanced pedestrian skills in year 6.

If you have a child in these year groups you could ask your child's teacher or head teacher if they have booked or would consider making a booking.

Activity

If your child enjoys colouring they could have a go at the colouring sheet enclosed with this newsletter, from the road safety charity Brake.

Contact us

You can contact Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership Education team on 01522 805800.