

Make the School Run Healthy, Safe and Fun

Leave your car at home!

MONKTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

Travel Plan Update June 2009



ROAD SAFETY EDUCATION PROGRAMME

Nursery – to develop an understanding of language of road safety by using resources linked to the Children's Traffic Club.

All Primary Stages – The Road Safety educational resource Streetsense2 is being used throughout primary education.

P1 & 2 – Building on the work of the nursery by reinforcing road safety through working with parents to carry out practical training at the roadside.

P3 & 4 – Development of safer routes to school.

P5 – Travelling Green, an educational resource encouraging safer and more active travel through health and wellbeing.

P6 & 7 – Developing independent travel to and from school as a pedestrian, cyclist and/or use of public transport

Other initiatives and resources include: JRSO Scheme/
Wow scheme/scottish cycle training scheme

To find out more about any of these please feel free to contact us or the Road Safety Team at South Ayrshire Council.

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A School Travel Plan is a written document which outlines a series of practical steps for improving children's safety on the journey to and from school.

INTRODUCTION

To date, our travel plan has already had some benefits. Improvements on the routes to our school include:

- 20mph zones around the school.
- Speed Bumps
- Zig-Zag Markings
- Drop-off point for cars/school bus

Updates to our school travel files are important to enable and encourage safer and more active travel for everyone to and from school.



THE AVERAGE LENGTH OF SCHOOL TRIPS FOR CHILDREN AGED 5-10 IS JUST 1.7 MILES.

H.U.S & PARENT SURVEY DATA

In order to focus in on the most relevant issues relating to school travel it is key to establish the current travel patterns. Our School carried out a Hands Up Survey and parent questionnaires to see what issues are most important to our school.

- 51% Walk
- 27% Driven
- 1% Cycle
- 12% Bus
- 2% Scooter/Skate
- 7% Park & Stride

Through our questionnaires we discovered that 56% of parents surveyed would be happy for their children to cycle to school. The remaining 44% had concerns such as:

- Volume of traffic
- Distance

45% OF ALL CAR TRIPS MADE ARE UNDER TWO MILES IN LENGTH. CREATING A CARBON FOOTPRINT OF ANYTHING IN THE REGION OF 0.67KG TO 1.09KG.



IMPROVEMENTS/REQUESTED MEASURES

The main concerns raised by the school and through the parents and are listed below.

Concerns

- Concerns relating to use of Drop-off point outside school.
- The speeds and volume of traffic in the village.
- Lack of parking close to the school

Requested Measures/Improvements

- Extensions to traffic calming measures on Baird Road
- Installation of flashing speed signs on Baird Road.
- A crossing patrol officer on Baird Road.
- Address parking problems in Drop-off area.