Ladygrove Primary School and Nursery

Travel Policy

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At Ladygrove Primary School, we encourage pupils, parents and staff to travel actively to school by walking, cycling and scooting wherever possible.
For pupils and staff who are unable to walk, cycle or scoot their whole journey to and from school, we encourage the use of car share and park and stride.

What are the benefits of active travel?

- Improves mental health leading to improved attendance and academic success
- Improves physical health, helping pupils to achieve the recommended minimum of 60 minutes of physical activity per day
- Promotes independence and improves road safety awareness
- Reduces congestion and noise in the community
- Improves air quality around the school

In order to ensure as many pupils as possible are given the opportunity to realise the benefits we each have an important role to play:

Staff

We will encourage pupils to travel to and from school more safely and actively by:

- Promoting the benefits of active travel
- Celebrating the achievements of those who travel actively to school
- Raising awareness of the air quality benefits of active travel
- Providing cycle and scooter storage on the school site
- Providing cycle training to pupils in some year groups who wish to participate
- Providing Pedestrian Training for pupils
- Working with our borough school travel and road safety officers to deliver interventions and activities that promote active, safe and responsible travel to school
- Leading a team of Junior Road Safety Officers (JRSO's) to promote active travel.
- Take part in assemblies promoting active travel.

Pupils

To make active travel a positive experience for everybody concerned, we expect our pupils to:

- Behave in a sensible, safe and respectful manner and to consider the needs of others when travelling
- Use lights and high-visibility clothing where appropriate and consider wearing a cycle helmet
- Check that their bicycle or scooter is roadworthy and well maintained
- Follow the rules of the road (Highway Code) when travelling

Parents and carers

For the wellbeing of our pupils, we expect parents/carers to:

- Encourage their child to travel actively to school
- Consider walking, cycling or scooting with their child
- Encourage their child to take up opportunities to develop their competence and confidence in walking cycling and scooting
- Provide their child with safety equipment as appropriate, which may include high-visibility clothing, lights, cycle helmet and a lock
- Ensure that the bicycles and scooters ridden to school are roadworthy and well maintained

We currently work with, Living Streets to track the ways in which children travel to school to encourage active travel where possible with badges as incentives through 'Wow – The walk to school challenge'. Home | Living Streets
Kirsty Stewart (Deputy head) oversees this with support from Jen Parsons (Support staff).