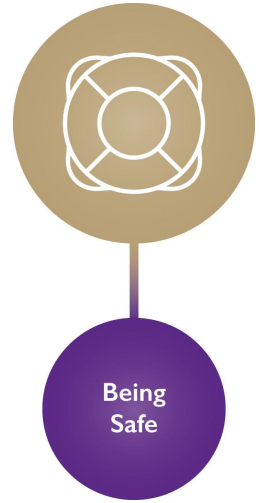


Being Safe to and from School

Last week marked the National Road Safety Week. As part of this we are sharing key messages about how to get to and from school safely. In a recent survey students stated that they did not know what to do if they felt unsafe outside of school.



ROAD SAFETY WEEK

by  Brake, the road safety charity

Facts

School age pedestrians are more vulnerable to serious and fatal injuries in the afternoon and early evening than at any other time. Child road injuries peak between 3pm and 7pm.

Pedestrians:

Avoid dashing across the road - everyone should wait to be guided at busy areas by cross guards or wait until traffic stops or is clear to cross the road.

STOP - LOOK - LISTEN

Don't use electronic devices when crossing the road, concentrate on the task.

STOP - LOOK - LISTEN

Don't block the paths or pavements so people have to move into the road.

KEEP YOURSELF and OTHERS SAFE

Give yourself extra time on your journey especially during bad weather.

Pay attention to your surroundings.

Drivers

Don't park directly outside of school.

Don't park on the yellow lines.

Don't stop traffic moving to pick up your child, this places danger on students crossing the road and staff supporting with helping students cross safely.

Organise a safe space to collect your child from to reduce traffic.

Top tips:

Make sure you stick to the paths and accessible routes so you are visible. Stick to the paths so you don't slip on the grass.

Make sure you agree a time to meet with friends to walk to and from school in groups.

Have a plan with someone at home about the time you will arrive so they know you are safe.

If you are worried, when out in the community before and after school, come into the main building and talk it through.

Make good choices, think before you act.

Know how to contact school - [01924 298752](tel:01924298752) or have the google classroom app on your phone so you can email someone who can help.

In addition to students being unsure what to do when out in the community we have received an increase in complaints from residents about the behaviour of students to and from school. The complaints are around anti-social behaviour to each other and residents in the community.

Please remember:

Be Safe - Be Respectful - Be Responsible

Treat others as you wish to be treated.