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St. Wilfrid's Catholic Primary School

### **Walking School Bus**

Dear Parents/Guardians,

As part of our Active Travel initiative in Ashton we are excited to announce the provision of a Walking School Bus in collaboration with Wigan Council.

We will run a pilot for 5 days from Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February to Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March meeting at 'Go Local Store' Bolton Road at 8.20am setting off at 8.30am prompt to reach school for 8.40am. The store manager has agreed to parents using the area for parking from 8am to 9am every morning.

The children will have to be accompanied by a responsible adult.

There are 5 stickers to collect and a prize for those who have collected 4 out of 5 of the stickers by Monday.

The aim is to encourage walking to school every day. A map will be available from school to show 5- and 10-minutes' walk, the walking school bus from 'go Local and some other suggestions.

Walking is a fun way to keep healthy, both mentally and physically. Environmentally, by parking at the retail park and walking across the congestion and car fumes will be reduced near the school gate, which is beneficial for everyone and the planet.

We are looking forward to seeing you on the 25th please dress for the weather!

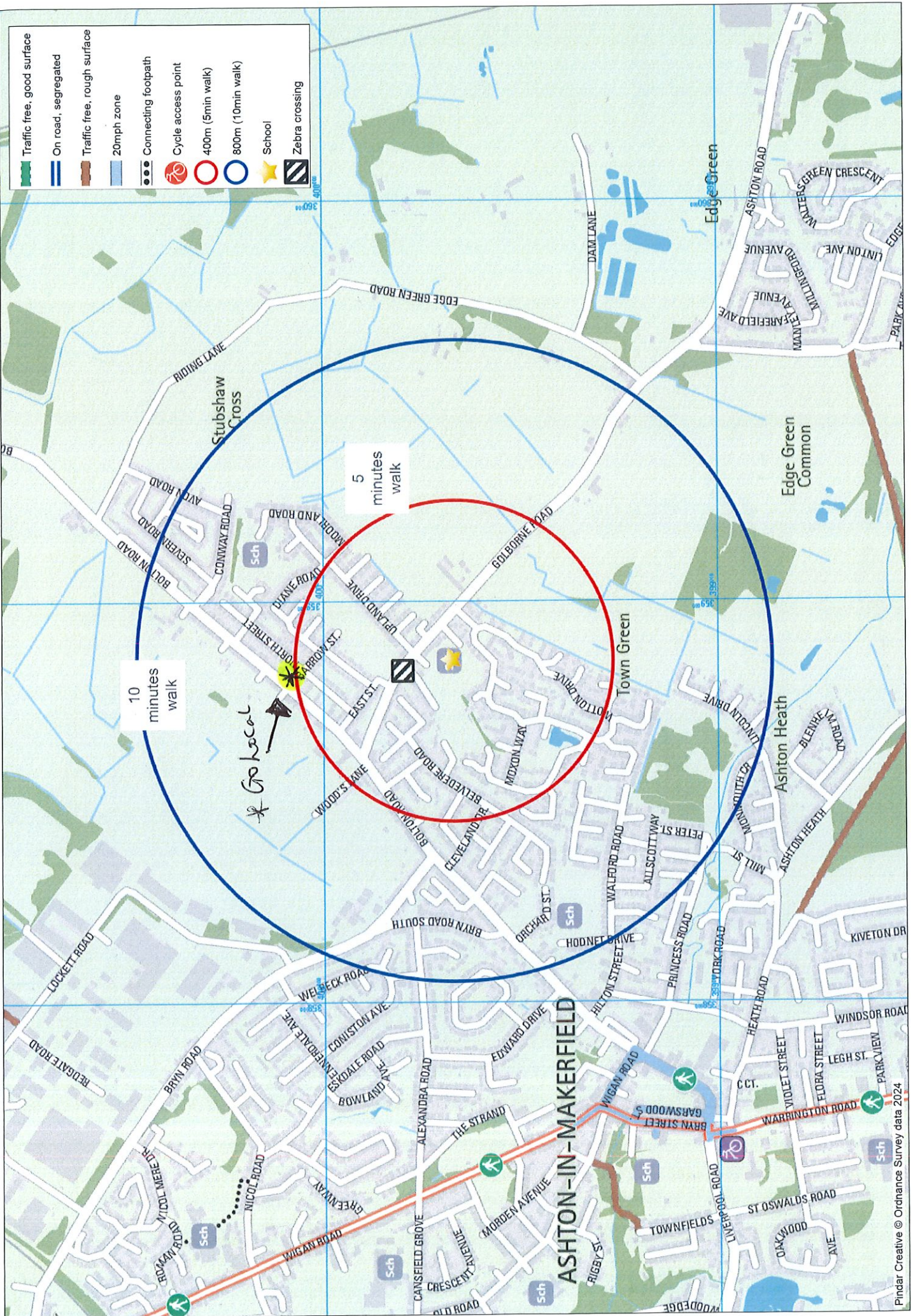
Yours

Mrs O'Brien and Mrs Sanderson



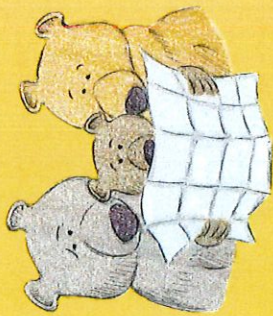
\* Go local store

- Traffic free, good surface
- On road, segregated
- Traffic free, rough surface
- 20mph zone
- Connecting footpath
- Cycle access point
- 400m (5min walk)
- 800m (10min walk)
- School
- Zebra crossing



# Your journey to

St Wilfred's  
Catholic Primary  
School, Ashton



We are working to try and increase levels of walking, scooting, cycling or other modes of active travel to and from school. This will mean fewer cars on the road, reducing congestion and air pollution.

It's also super healthy for you and a great start to the day! And it's a free and fun way to get around. It might even be quicker than you first thought. Use this map to help you plan an interesting and safe route to school. If you can't walk, scoot, wheel or cycle the whole way, why not get dropped off at a friend's house and walk in together, or just park 5 or 10 minutes away and walk the rest.

## Share your journey



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# Your journey to school

We want our school to be a great place for everyone and we want to look after our planet too. That's why we're asking you to think about how you travel to and from school. Making clever travel choices helps us to be green or sustainable.

Walking, wheeling, scooting, cycling, or using a bus, tram or train are all great ways to travel! You can even park a bit away from school and walk the rest of the way - that's called park and stride!

You can also find fun things to do on the way, such as our school run bingo! Inside this leaflet you'll also find other activities - can you find all the words in our wordsearch? Which bear will you colour in first?

Let's have fun and help our planet together!



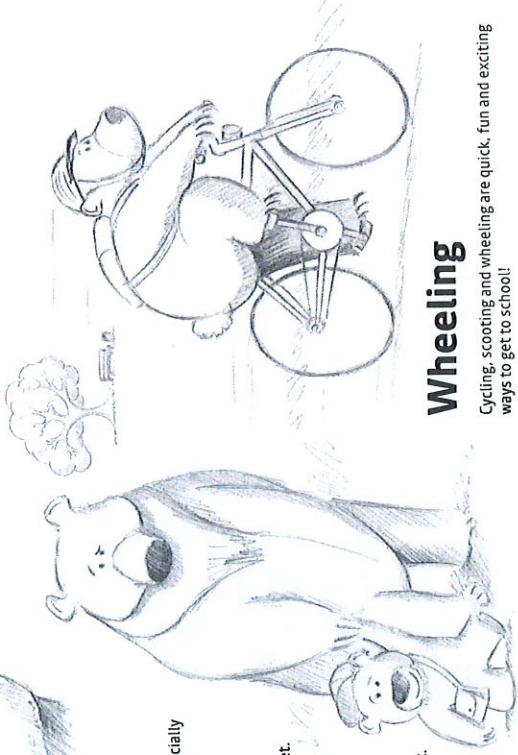
## Walking

Walking is a fun way for you to travel, especially if you can walk to school with your friends. Don't forget to look out for the things on the bingo card!

To find the best way to walk to school, use the map on the other side of this leaflet.

## Park and Stride

If you have to use the car, why not give 'Park and Stride' a go? This means driving some of the way and then walking the rest. It only needs to be a short walk - five or ten minutes!



## Wheeling

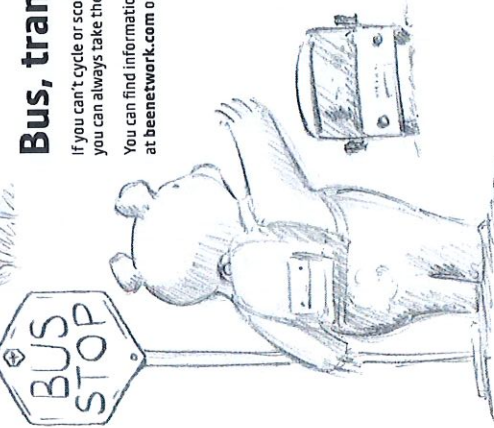
Cycling, scooting and wheeling are quick, fun and exciting ways to get to school!

Need to develop your skills and confidence on two wheels? Not a problem! Visit [tfgm.com/travelling-to-school](http://tfgm.com/travelling-to-school) to see how we can help.

## Bus, tram or train

If you can't cycle or scoot, walk or park and stride, you can always take the bus, tram or train!

You can find information on tickets, prices and times at [beenetwork.com](http://beenetwork.com) or on the Bee Network app.



## Let's travel together

Want to make the school run more fun and help the planet at the same time? Why not speak to your grown-ups to see if you can travel together with your friends.

Scan the QR code with your phone to find out more.



# Wordsearch

Can you find these 12 words

- BEARS
- CYCLE
- EXPLORE
- FAMILY
- FRIENDS
- FUN
- HEALTHY
- LEARN
- SCHOOL
- SCOOT
- SCOTCH
- STRIDE
- WALK

B H V E Y G S Z X W Z Q J T K  
A Q N R A E L C A P F Q T Q D  
W J C U S P C F O R S O G P  
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W R K D I U B S E A A X O U M  
G Z W S K S F N V U T W A L K

# School run bingo

Tick off when you see/smell/hear any of the things below on your way to school
