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Euxton Primrose Hill School Road Safety Policy



Introduction

Road crashes are the greatest single threat of death or injury facing children. The aim of the School's Road Safety Policy is to reduce this risk.

This policy is guided by the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974, the Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999, the Education Act 2002, and Department for Education guidance on school travel safety. Local guidance from the LCC Road Safety Group is also followed.

The Curriculum

Road Safety Education will be delivered through the curriculum as part of both National Curriculum and Personal and Social Education courses of study.

The headteacher has responsibility for Road Safety Education.

Parents

- Parents have the opportunity to influence their children's attitude and behaviour on journeys to and from school.
- The school will work in collaboration with parents to develop safer child pedestrian skills.
- Parents will be kept up to date on Road Safety initiatives through the school newsletter.
- Parents to accept responsibility for parking safely and appropriately in and around the school site. We ask parents to follow our one-way system, which involves travelling down Primrose Hill Road, passing school on your left hand side, and exiting left or right via Cedar Avenue. This operates between the hours of 8:25 a.m. to 9 a.m. and 2:40 p.m. to 3:10 p.m.

Cars

- When travelling in staff/parent vehicles, pupils will wear seatbelts at all times.
- All teachers/parents using personal vehicles will have signed the vehicle good condition sheet.
- All children travelling in any vehicle will have parental permission.
- Parents transporting children (other than their own) on the school's behalf must ensure that they have adequate car insurance.
- Staff will ensure that pupils have car seats where required.

Coaches

- Coaches hired for the purpose of school trips/journeys must have seat belts fitted.
- The school will liaise with coach companies to ensure that they park in a safe place and follow the school's one-way system.

Walking

- It is recommended that all pupils wear high visibility clothing on their journey to and from school.
- Families and children are encouraged to identify and adopt safe routes to school.

Cycling/Scooting

- All pupils cycling to school are strongly encouraged to wear helmets and protective clothing.
- School provides a scooter pod and bike shelter for the storage of scooters/cycles.
- Children will be provided the opportunity to undertake the Chorley School Sports Partnership Bikeability Scheme. Pupils in Year 5 may complete the theory test and then complete the practical test in Year 6.
- We recommend that pupils are accompanied by an adult when cycling at all times until pupils have undertaken and passed the Bikeability programme in Y6.

Inclusive Participation

The school ensures that all pupils, including those with additional needs or disabilities, can participate safely in road safety activities. Staff will make reasonable adjustments to routes, supervision, and equipment as required.

Management of the Policy

- Chair of Governors and headteacher will ensure delivery of the Road Safety Policy.
- Parents are informed of developments in Road Safety in the school newsletter when appropriate. Parents are welcome to contribute ideas for inclusion in the policy.
- The school website allows parents and the community to contribute to school developments.
- LCC Road Safety Group will advise and support the development and delivery of the School Road Safety Policy.

Accident and Incident Procedures

In the event of an accident or road incident involving a pupil or staff member, staff will follow the school's safeguarding and first aid procedures. Incidents will be reported to the Headteacher, documented, and communicated to parents as appropriate.

Risk Assessment and Safety Procedures

All journeys, road safety activities, and trips will undergo a formal risk assessment by staff. Risks associated with walking, cycling, and vehicle travel will be identified, minimised, and communicated to pupils, parents, and staff. Risk assessments will be reviewed regularly and updated as required.