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Dear Parents/Carers,

Re: Lewisham School Street Programme: Rushey Green School & Holy Cross RC School

As part of our COVID-19 response we have been working with Transport for London to plan a safe and healthy return to school for pupils, parents, teachers and local residents. Over the last few weeks we have implemented the first phase of our School Streets programme across the borough.

Roads close to schools often have periods of the day that are busy with school traffic, causing road safety concerns for pedestrians and cyclists, congestion, and poor air quality for all. The primary objective of this programme is therefore to help pupils and parents to socially distance at the school gates and to create a safer environment for travel to school on foot and by bicycle, by implementing a short closure at school drop off and pick up times. However, School Streets also have many additional benefits such as improving the air quality at the school gates, encouraging daily routines that incorporate exercise and helping to reduce the impact of the school run for those that live in the immediate vicinity of the school gates.

How will a School Street affect you?

The attached plan shows the proposals for Rushey Green and Holy Cross Schools including the times of operation and School Street closure point(s). Penerley Road and Culverley Road will be closed to vehicular traffic from 8.15 to 9.15am and 2.45 to 3.45pm, on school days, during term time only. The closure point will be supported by signage advising the times of the closure, and advanced warning signage will also be in place.

There are a number of ways School Street closures will be managed due to the road layout and circumstances at each location. Penerley Road and Culverley Road will be closed using signage and enforced by Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) cameras. There will be an exemption for residents, however we would encourage you to avoid using your vehicle during the hours of school street operation, if possible, to maximise the benefits of the scheme.

For further details on this School Street please see the commonplace website, where there are a series of Frequently Asked Questions (link provided below).





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What happens next?

The details of the School Street programme will be added to the COVID-19 Commonplace page at (<https://lewishamcovidtransport.commonplace.is/>). This is an opportunity for you to comment on how the closure is going in your experience. To contact the Council please email: schoolstreets@lewisham.gov.uk.

We are planning for the School Street to be operational by mid-December. We will contact you again nearer the time, when we know the date of delivery of the equipment to enforce the closure.

Yours sincerely

Lisa Williams
Headteacher

