

PUPILS MONITORING TRAFFIC R14

Monitoring traffic for their school's travel plan can be an exciting and educational activity for children. Being involved in the school's travel plan gives children a sense of responsibility and ownership. They can see the direct impact of their efforts on their community, which can be very rewarding. By monitoring traffic, children can help identify potential hazards around their school, making the area safer for everyone. This activity can be integrated into various subjects. Children can engage with their peers, teachers, and local authorities, fostering a sense of community and teamwork. This can also help them develop communication and leadership skills.

★ THE BASICS PUPILS MONITORING TRAFFIC	★ MAIN TRAVEL INITIATIVES	★ PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES	★ SUPPORTING ACTIVITIES	★ SUPPORTING RESOURCES AND WEBSITES
Purpose: Establish a purpose for monitoring the traffic. Lesson: The data could be used for a Numeracy lesson. Campaign: JRSOs can collect baseline data before promoting less parking and idling outside the school gates. Outcomes: Share outcomes with whole school community. Competitions: JRSOs could use the data to run a whole-school vehicle count competition. Plan: Make sure you have carried out the appropriate risk assessment beforehand and planned your route if needed.	Parking Pledge Scheme: Children could complete a traffic survey outside the school at drop off time before introducing the Parking Pledge. A follow-up survey will measure the impact of the scheme. Educational Walk: Walk to a local area, such as a high street, to collect the data on traffic coming in and out of the area as part of a numeracy lesson. This could also be an opportunity to practice Pedestrian Skills Training on the journey.	Promote: Share data in your newsletter to highlight the need to reduce the number of vehicles outside the school gates and promote alternative active travel methods or upcoming initiatives. Engage: Share your findings and what you plan to do to improve the situation with your local neighbours. Whole School Assembly: Share your findings with the whole school, the importance of reducing car usage and the benefits of active and sustainable travel. Use the assembly as a promotional opportunity to launch a Park and Stride or Parking Pledge Campaign.	Involve and consult the pupils as much as you can to steer the questions and solutions to the traffic issues outside the school gate. Bike Count: include bikes in your traffic survey to see if any introduced campaigns are having an impact on bike usage. Parent Surveys: Send out an in depth traffic survey to parents to find out their views. Contact your School Travel Planning Team for support on parent Surveys.	Events: September: <u>Mode Shift Month</u> October: <u>Walktober</u> <u>Cycle To School Week</u> November: <u>Road Safety Week</u> March: <u>WWCT Big Walk And Wheel</u> May: <u>Walk To School Week</u> June: <u>Clean Air Challenge Week</u> Useful Websites <u>WWCT monitoring the impact of School Streets</u> <u>Living Streets School Streets Audit</u>
R14 Pupils Monitoring Traffic AT4 Active Travel Campaign	AQ8 Parking Pledge Scheme W9 Educational Walk	PR1 Newsletter PR2 School communicates with residents PR9 Assembly focusing on safe and sustainable travel	PU6 Other Pupil Consultation PU2 Pupils conduct cycle Counts PA1 In depth Parents surveys take place	W7 Walk To School Month C5 Take part in WWCTs Big Walk and Wheel W6 Walk To School Week

