

ST SERF'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

TRAVEL PLAN 2022-2023



THE TRAVEL TEAM

Mollie and Innes have continued their commitment to the St Serf's Travel Team and we have recruited and trained two new WOW Ambassadors, Alli and Kai. The team will be led by Mr Williams and supported by Donna Cromb.





AIMS OF THE TRAVEL PLAN

- We aim to proactively encourage and increase awareness of healthy, environmental and socially friendly travel choices amongst pupils, parents, staff and the wider community.
- We aim to reduce the volume of vehicles on the school run and traffic congestion around the school gates.
- We aim to increase the number of children travelling to and from school in an active way walking, park and stride, scooter, cycle, skateboard etc.
- We aim to improve safety on the journey to school.
- We aim to increase the number of pupils participating in road safety education.
- We aim to secure funding and initiatives from Clackmannanshire Council and other agencies/partners.

ST SERF'S IN CONTEXT

St Serf's Primary School and ELC is a non-denominational school situated in the town of Tullibody near Stirling. Our catchment area is the Lornshill Academy Cluster.

Following the recent pandemic we had been using staggered timings for pupils throughout the day as well as multiple entrances and exits. We have now returned to a 9am - 3pm school day for all pupils, with most pupils entering and exiting the school from the main gate. P7 pupils currently use the main entrance next to the staff car park. We have a breakfast club which starts at 8.30am and pupils enter directly into the main hall.

The school and ELC have over 200 people arriving and leaving each day.



CURRENT TRAVEL INFORMATION

- There are 20 car parking spaces available on our school site allocated specifically for school staff.
- Parents are not permitted to park in the staff car park dur to limited space and it would be extremely unsafe if the car park was to be utilised as a drop off / pick up zone.
- We have a park and stride facility available at the church car park at the top
 of St Serf's Road. This is further supported by a patrolled zebra crossing
 taking pupils from the church car park to the street where the school is
 located.
- Car movements around the school still present a cause for concern due to high
 volume of traffic and limited pathways for parents and pupils to access.
 Residents near the school frequently express their frustration at the
 dangerous and disrespectful way some parents choose to park their vehicles.
- We have a cycle shelter inside the school grounds where pupils can lock their bike securely and we have requested funding for a scooter park as well.
- The zone in which the school operates is a 20mph zone. Signs have been installed to instruct drivers not to use the road by the school as a drop off/pick up option but several parents choose to ignore this.











Our shelter for storing our bikes and scooters throughout the school day. This is located in the school grounds which are secure so we know our bikes are safe.

We would like to have a scooter park too.



Our playground has some positive messages painted on it.

We would like to include some more that are connected with our Travel Tracker, to encourage people to travel to school in a more active way.

MAP OF THE LOCAL AREA

St Serf's Primary School Park and Stride facility at the local church.

There is a safe patrolled crossing here.



Main walking/cycling route for children living in the Muirside Estate and surrounding area.

Busy main road used by some of our pupils.

Main walking/cycling route for children living in the Ladywell Drive / Dovecot Road area.

PARENT/ CARER TRAVEL SURVEY - YEAR ON YEAR COMPARISON

We conducted a survey in 2021 and have repeated the survey in 2022 so we can compare the results. We had 43 responses which, including families, represents a cross-section of around one-third of the school community. The responses were pretty much evenly spread across all year groups.

- 65% of our families across the Primary School and ELC (who participated in the survey) live less than half a mile away from the school building. This is up from 56% last year. 20% currently live between half a mile and one mile away (down from 26% last year) and 14% live further than one mile from the school.
- 51% of families who participated in the survey choose to walk to school on a regular basis. This is down slightly from 58% last year.
- 34% of our families who took part regularly make use of the Park and Stride facility with a further 7% making regular use of their bike, scooter or skateboard. This means that 92% of our participating families regularly choose active travel to and from school.

OTHER COMMENTS FROM THE SURVEY

The school isn't the problem when it comes to safety. It's the local council which doesn't see an issue. It'll take an accident before something is deemed worthy of these things.

Remind parents to adhere to the highway code when parking and keep speeds down when passing the school.



St Serf's Road should be a one way system. I think the park and stride is easy and convenient although recently my car has been damaged multiple times by other car doors bashing into it. This makes me less inclined to use the park and stride which was previously ideal.



Bike lessons through the school and more facilities for safe bike storage to encourage more kids to cycle and learn road safety.

Pupil Survey - Baseline for Travel Tracker

We surveyed all pupils on how they most frequently travel to school. The results are:

Walk

Park & Stride

Cycle

Scooter/Skate

Driven

Bus / Taxi













58%

21%

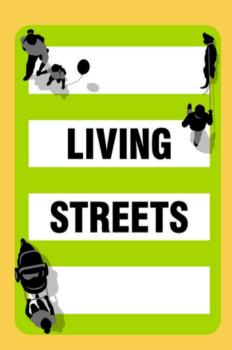
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WOW AMBASSADORS' ACTION PLANFOR 2022/23

Our plans for 2022/23 include:

- Ensure all classes are recording daily on the Travel Tracker.
- Aim for a minimum of 70% engagement on the Travel Tracker.
- Participate in Cycle to School Week from 3rd 7th October.
- Improve the Wow Ambassador Display in school to promote what we do.
- Celebrate the winning class (most active) each month with the Strider Mascot and Walk To School Trophy.
- Continue to raise the profile of the Park and Stride facility and reward those who use it with Park and Stride stickers and extra prizes from BrightKidz.co.uk.
- Launch safety campaigns targeting drivers who use St Serf's Road as a drop off/pick up facility and those who park dangerously - link with local council and police for support with this.
- Promote good Road Safety throughout the school.
- Engage with competitions and events throughout the year promoting active travel.