

GIFFNOCK PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Parent / Carer

National Road Safety Week

National Road Safety Week begins on Monday 21st November and the JRSO committee at Giffnock Primary are going to be leading a number of events. One of the events will be a 'Dress Bright Day' on Wednesday 23rd November, where pupils will be encouraged to wear their brightest, most colourful clothes to school! These clothes can range from neon socks to fluorescent leg warmers to multi-coloured T-shirts. 'Dress Bright Day' is a dress-down day with a difference that raises life-saving awareness and funds for charity.

Everyone can arrive at school wearing their brightest clothes and opt to donate a pound to Brake. The day helps to remind drivers to slow down and watch out for pedestrians and cyclists and raises awareness of people killed and injured on foot and bicycle on our roads every year. All funds help Brake to run road safety campaigns and education programmes and support people bereaved or injured by road crashes. During National Road Safety Week, pupils will design a JRSO mascot for Giffnock Primary. After the top three entries per class have been selected, the JRSOs will choose the top three designs for the school. The winning entry will then get their drawing made into a toy, to be displayed next to the JRSO noticeboard.

On Wednesday 23rd November, there will be a 'Cycle Bus' event taking place before the school day, where pupils from P5 – P7 will cycle along a designated ERC cycle route from Eastwood Park to Giffnock Primary. This event will be supported by staff, parental volunteers and Pedalwise, an organisation which helps to create a healthier, cleaner and greener East Renfrewshire. P5 – P7 pupils will bring home a letter this week which will provide further details regarding the 'Cycle Bus' and consent to participate (please check in school bags). Pedalwise will carry out presentations to pupils from P2 – P7 and will also undertake 'Dr Bike' bicycle health checks, so please encourage your child to bring their bicycle with them to school on Wednesday 23rd November.

If you would like to learn more about National Road Safety Week or Pedalwise, please visit the following websites.

<http://www.roadsafetyweek.org.uk/> <http://pedalwise.co.uk/>

Yours sincerely,

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