



Bishopton Primary



Travel Plan 2018/2019



School Information

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What is a Travel Plan?

A travel plan is a document that identifies local issues relating to our journey to school. It will outline how we are going to work towards reducing car use by encouraging more of our children, staff and parents to walk or cycle to and from school.

Our Travel Plan Aims

1. To encourage pupils and parents to walk to and from school in a safe, responsible and healthy way.
2. To reduce the number of cars parked outside the school at the beginning and end of the school day by encouraging walking and cycling.
3. To encourage and promote the use of “park and stride” as an alternative to bringing cars right to the school gates.
4. To help enhance our local environment by reducing traffic congestion, pollution and improving road safety.
5. To develop links with the school curriculum.
6. To empower pupils and parents to make positive choices.
7. To qualify as a Cycle Friendly School.

The School Travel Plan Committee

The School Travel Plan Committee consists of 2 groups – Junior Road Safety Officers and Mrs C Davidson DHT and the Travel group of the school's Eco committee which consists of 9 children from P2 – P7 and Mrs Ferguson.

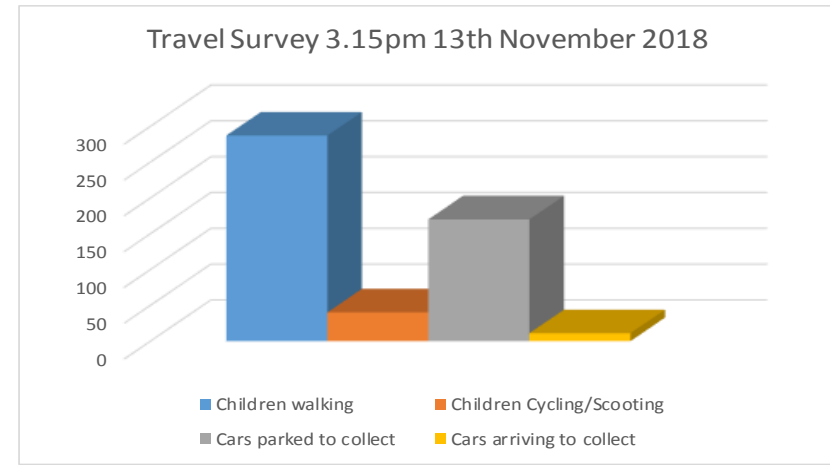
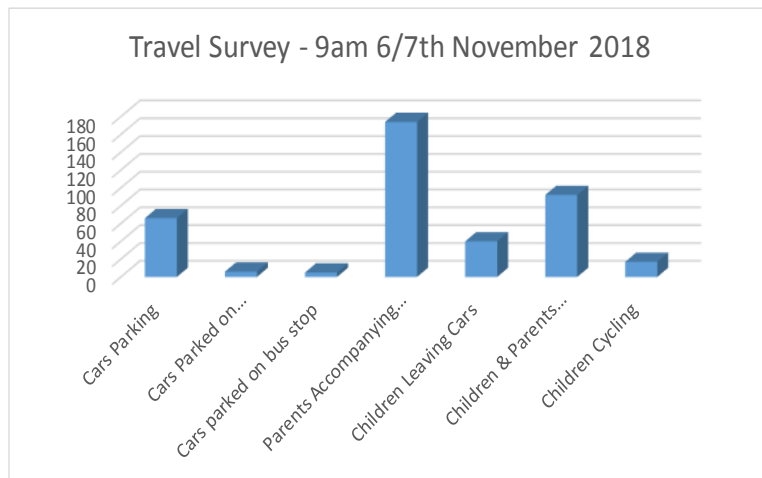
The Junior Road Safety Officers collect figures weekly on how children have travelled to school. These figures are then submitted to the Living Streets Walk to School initiative.



The Travel group's main task is to organise the annual Big Pedal event organised by Sustrans when all children are invited to bring their bike or scooter to school every day for 2 weeks. Supporters eg. parents or younger siblings are also invited to take part. Figures are recorded and submitted to Sustrans as part of a national competition.

Surveys and Consultation

Our Junior Road Safety Officers collected the following information -



Walking /Cycling to School

We are an Eco school and have already earned our green flag. We understand the positive effects that walking to school can have on our health and also on our environment.

We take part in the Local and National Walk to School week campaigns.

Every year we take part in the national Big Pedal event organised by Sustrans which encourages children and supporters to cycle or scoot to school.

Every Primary 6 pupil is given the opportunity to participate in the Bikeability Scotland programme.

Road Safety topics including the use of Streetsense are taught as part of the Health and Wellbeing curricular programme.

Concerns

Our surveys show that although many parents are accompanying their child/children to school and a large percentage of children walk to and from school, there is still a large number of cars outside the school at the beginning and end of the school day.

For children's safety, parents are asked not to bring children in through the car park or at the Grove entrance; both of which are vehicle access only.

As a large number of children are bussed to and from school, it is important to ensure that adequate space is left for the bus to park.

Targets

- to reduce the number of cars parked around our school at the beginning and end of the school day
- to increase the number of parents, children and staff walking, cycling and scooting

Review

How will we know what effect our travel plan has had?

At the start of the new school year, 2019 – 2020, we will conduct our travel surveys again and review the impact of our travel plan.

