

Road Safety Education in Hampshire

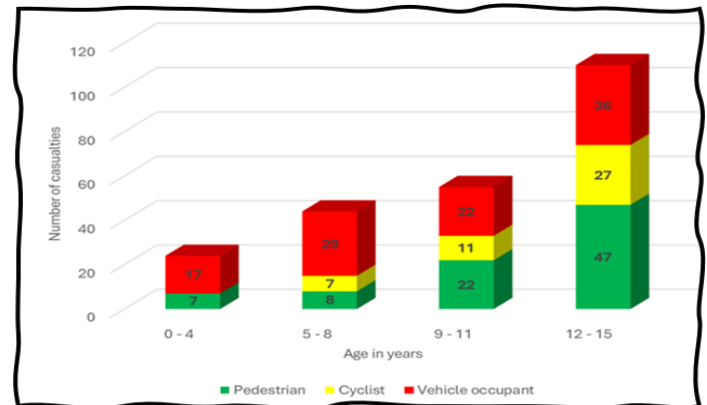
Primary Road Safety update

Autumn 2026

Schools and parents have a responsibility of sharing key road safety messages to ensure young people are aware of the dangers of the road from an early age. This newsletter shares a variety of ways your school can support your pupils and parents in understanding what safer choices they can make, now and in the future.

This graph shows Hampshire's child casualties in 2024; 233 children and young people, between the age of 0 - 15 years, were injured or seriously injured on Hampshire's roads.

All our schemes and campaigns are free of charge to all schools; you just need to sign up and support us in educating young people. Find out more information about what is available below and overleaf.



Modelling good behaviour

Road Safety parent leaflet and supporting webinar

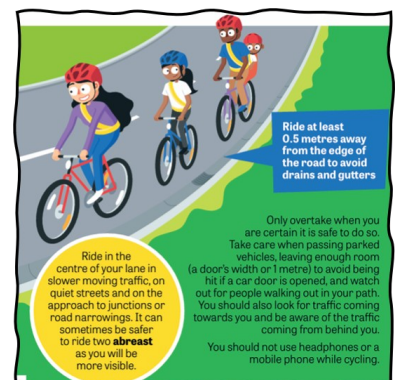


The Road Safety Team are launching support for parents - encouraging them to educate their children about road safety from a very early age. The leaflet and webinar will share what behaviours parents should model from an early age to ensure their children develop safe behaviours throughout their early years, and these behaviours continue into their teenage and adult years.

The idea of both the leaflet and webinar is to encourage parents to set a good example and model safe road safety behaviour at all times.

The webinar and leaflet will include the following messages and more:

- **Pedestrian safety**
 - Always find a safe place to cross
 - Use a crossing when there is one
- **Cycle safety**
 - Always wear a cycle helmet
 - Always dress bright and be seen on your bike
- **In car safety**
 - Always wear a seatbelt
 - Always concentrate - don't be a distracted driver and don't distract the driver

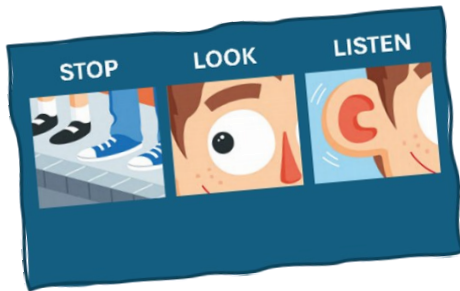


The first webinar will be **Monday 16 November from 12:00 - 12:30**; parents can register on the following [Parent webinar registration form](#). The Road Safety Team would be extremely grateful if you could share this with your school community.

Virtual lesson **Register now!**

FREE online lesson for Year 2 - basic green cross code skills

The Road Safety Team are offering the free virtual sessions to Year Two pupils again this year. This term, the first of the three sessions, covering the basic rules of the green cross code will be shared on **Wednesday 18 November from 13:30 - 13:50**. Please note, there will be a recording available if your school cannot make the live presentation.



The session is twenty minutes long and includes a short presentation, with clips, songs to sing and interactive questions for the children to answer in their class. The aim of the session is to remind the children of the basic rules of the green cross code as well as safer places to cross. If your class can attend the live session or you would like to be sent the recording, please register your details via the [registration form](#).

Poster competition

Distraction, from friends, music and phones puts us all at risk and the Road Safety Team would like to share the message of always giving the road our full attention to your school community.

We want your pupils to design this campaign so are launching a poster competition - closing date is **Wednesday 4 November**. If your school register, you will be sent a presentation, which can be shared with your pupils. The key points will be:

- Stop your conversation with friends
- Pause your music
- Ignore any notifications / messages on your phone



To take part in the competition, please complete the [poster registration form](#).



BACKSEAT BOSS

Free online resource



Backseat Boss is a fun and interactive road safety programme for primary school children, developed by **AXA UK** in partnership with the **Child Accident Prevention Trust**.

Through engaging lessons, games, and activities, children learn essential road safety skills to help them become safer passengers today and more responsible road users in the future.

This 25-minute ready-to-deliver session helps important road safety messages stick through:

- Fun and interactive games and activities
- Simple, memorable road safety rules
- Practical tips for staying safe when travelling
- All lesson materials provided and ready to use



Click to register - [Backseat Boss: A safer driving initiative to improve](#)

Your Time to Shine

Save the date and register now: **Friday 20 November 2026**

With the clocks going back and the evenings getting darker, the Autumn term is a great opportunity to highlight the importance of being seen to traffic. The Road Safety Team are running the Your Time to Shine day on **Friday 20 November** to coincide with Brake's Road Safety Week. Schools can participate on this day or choose any other day to plan a be bright be seen non-school uniform day and use our resources to share this important message.

Register your school by completing the form at:
[Your Time To Shine](#)

Teaching and activity ideas will be sent to all registered schools; if teachers are unable to use the lesson ideas, why not still invite everyone to come to school in the brightest clothes or accessories possible!

Please remember, the Your Time to Shine day can be on any day of the academic year - but please still register so we know your school are taking part.



JRSO virtual training

The Junior Road Safety Officer (JRSO) scheme promotes peer to peer education with Year 5 & 6 children sharing key road safety messages through assemblies, competitions and having their own noticeboard; ensuring young people are aware of the dangers of the road from an early age.

New JRSOs are invited to attend one of the sessions being held during the Autumn term. The objective of the workshop is to provide the pupils with the knowledge and tools to teach their peers about road safety in the most fun and interactive way. The session includes presentations as well as practical activities, such as t-shirt designing and interactive quizzes.



To be part of the scheme, your school needs to register for one of the training sessions via the link below. Once registered, your school will receive a resource pack, which the children can use during the session and will include materials to support them in their role.

All you need to do is choose your Year 5 and 6 JRSOs, arrange for them to attend a training session and support them in sharing key messages to your pupils throughout the year.

Register now for one of the dates below via the [JRSO training registration](#)

- Friday 6 November from 13:00 - 15:00
- Wednesday 11 November from 10:00 - 12:00
- Tuesday 17 November from 13:00 - 15:00

Please note, in order to receive your resource pack, you need to register before **Friday 9 October 2026**.

Walktober 2026

Let's get moving this Walktober for our wellbeing, our community and our planet.

This October, join schools across Hampshire for International Walk to School Month and encourage your school community to choose active and sustainable travel.

Walktober is a great way for your pupils, families and staff to stay active and enjoy the outdoors by walking, wheeling, cycling, scooting, using Park and Stride or taking public transport more often. With inspiring resources and competitions that can be adapted to suit your school, Walktober has something to offer everyone. Schools participating in the Modeshift STARS programme can use their involvement as evidence towards accreditation.

Last year, 152 Hampshire schools settings took part, and with the amazing feedback about Walktober 2025, we hope even more schools and settings sign up for 2026!



For more details and to sign up visit myjourneyhampshire.com/walktober by **Monday 28 September 2026**. All competitions are fully funded by the UK Government.

How could you travel to school?' drawing competition

A reminder of the annual drawing competition featured in the booklet

[‘How could you travel to school?’](#)

This year children are invited to share what the best part of their active journey to school is. Could it be:

- Being out in nature?
- Having time to talk to family and friends?
- Knowing their journey is helping promote sustainability?
- How it makes their body and mind feel before the school day?

We can't wait to find out and see the amazing drawings, plus entrants have the chance to win some lovely prizes! **Closing date is 31 October 2026.**



The latest Modeshift STARS update

The latest edition of our informative STARS leaflet which features Guillemont Junior School, Farnborough is now available at: myjourneyhampshire.com/modeshiftstars.

The case study outlines how engaging with **Modeshift STARS** to meet a planning requirement helped the school recognise its wider benefits for pupils and families, leading to sustained commitment and progression to now submitting for 'Outstanding' accreditation!

If you would like the STARS work your school does to be featured, please contact us at: travelplans@hants.gov.uk

My Journey termly calendars and planners

The My Journey calendars and planners are now available for the new academic year. Use the termly calendars to help plan events and initiatives throughout the year; they give a termly overview of both travel and non-travel related events for schools. The second page planners provide ideas for each event, including relevant STARS initiative codes. Visit [My Journey School Calendar and Planner](#) to download one for each term. To keep up to date with My Journey events, activities and news, subscribe to the [My Journey education newsletter](#).