

Scooting to school

Scooting is a great way for young children to find their balance and enjoy being active. It can also help if you live far from the school as you can put your scooter in the boot of your car, park safely 5-10 minutes away from school, and then scoot in. This avoids unnecessary congestion and danger to children and families around the school gate.

Top tips for scooting

- Pedestrians have priority on the pavement.
- Be aware of other people using the pavement and be polite and considerate to them.
- Take extra care when crossing vehicle entrance/exit points e.g. driveways, and remember that the person there first (car driver, cyclist, pedestrian etc.) has priority.
- Keep away from the kerb.
- Look all around before you start moving, stop moving or change direction, and look where you are going.
- Walk with your scooter when crossing the road, in crowded areas or other busy areas e.g. the school playground.
- Carry things in a rucksack, not balanced on the handlebars.
- The Highway Code tells us that the speed limit on pavements is 4mph.
- Wear a helmet and bright, colourful clothing to ensure you can be seen.



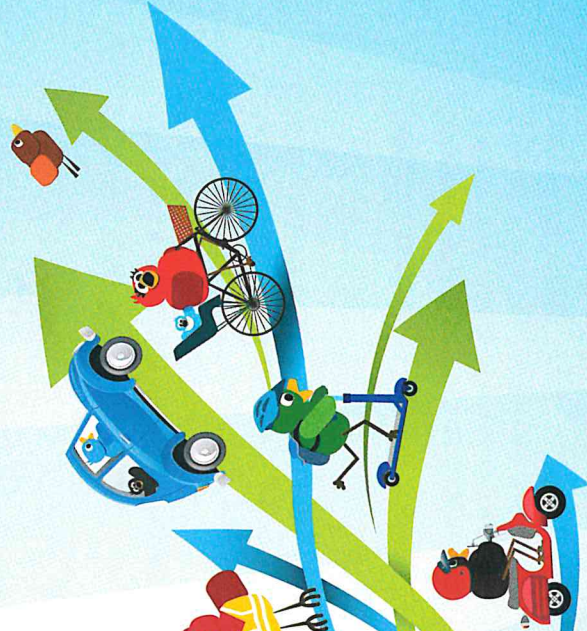
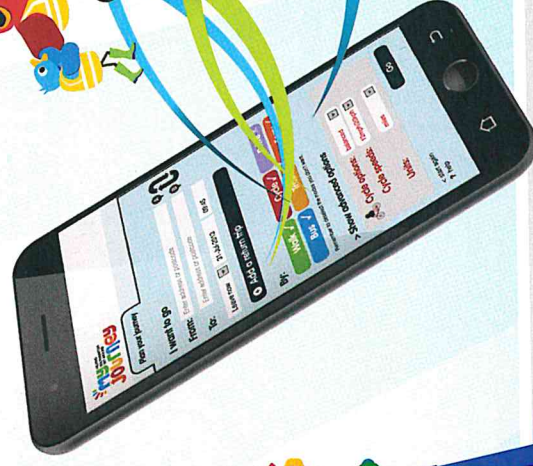
Journey Planner

Our online journey planner can help you make smarter travel choices by planning your journey for you.

It recognises Southampton place names like schools, so you don't have to remember the postcode. It can help you plan a safer route and find out which buses go near each school. If your child already attends school and you want to try a different way to get to school, it will show you how many calories you might burn if you walk or cycle.



Visit myjourneysouthampton.com/journeyplanner



Walking to school

Most families live within 1.5 miles of their school and yet one in five car cars during the morning peak time are doing the primary school run.

Walking is an easy way for children to get to school whilst also supporting their health and well-being so that your child will be focused and ready to learn. It is also a perfect opportunity for children to learn about their local area, develop wider social networks and gain some independence. Your school community will also benefit from cleaner air and less congestion on the local roads.



To increase levels of walking, the School Travel Planning Team work with schools and our partner, national walking charity Living Streets, to encourage pupils and their families to leave the car at home when they can.

We are Living Streets, the UK charity for everyday walking. We want to create a walking nation where people of all generations enjoy the benefits that this simple act brings, on streets fit for walking.

5 good reasons to walk to school

1. Save money
2. Boost brain power
3. Become street savvy
4. Breathe cleaner air
5. Kick start a healthy lifestyle



For the safety of your child, their friends and the local community you have a responsibility to park safely, legally and responsibly

School Keep Clears

School zigzag markings are there to ensure clear sight lines for all road users, outside of schools.

They create a clear and safer area to cross. There is a 'No Stopping' order placed on many zigzags. The time period which applies may vary depending on the location, but will be displayed on nearby signs. If you stop or park on the markings during these times, you are likely to receive a Penalty Charge Notice (PCN) of £70.

Parking enforcement

Southampton City Council has a responsibility for the enforcement of certain on-street parking restrictions.

The Police have a duty to enforce other traffic offences, which can result in penalty points being issued on your driving licence.

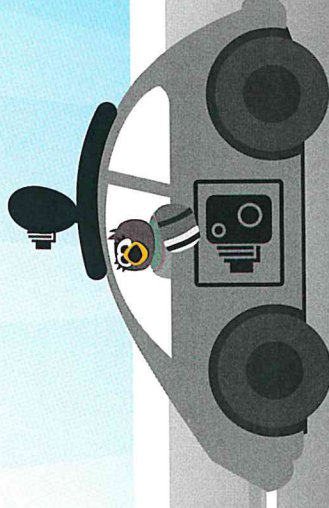
A camera car enforcement vehicle is now in operation, along with officers on foot, to tackle illegal parking on zig zags at Southampton schools.

To get in touch with your local Parking Enforcement team, please contact Southampton City Council. To contact the Police about a parking issue, either dial 101 or go online at www.police.uk

School zones

We remind all drivers to slow down on the approaches to schools and look out vigilantly for small children. It can be difficult to see them, particularly when they are trying to cross the road between parked cars. Additionally, when a school crossing patrol steps into the road, be aware that 'Stop means stop at the lollipop'.

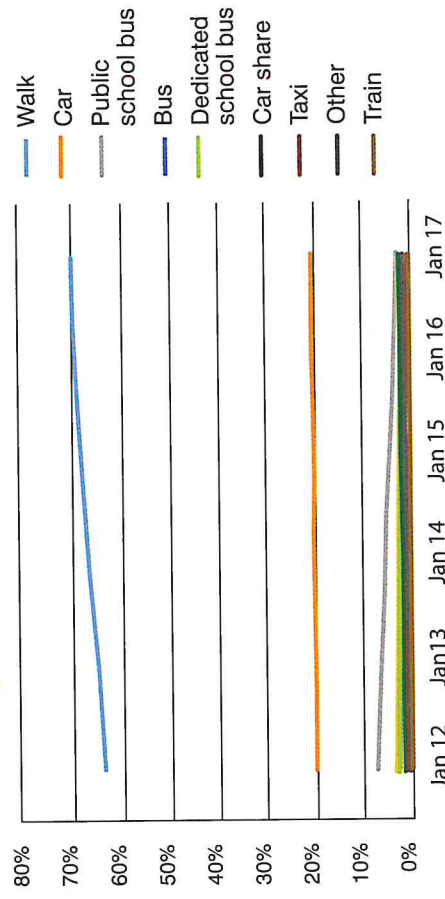
At school drop off and pick up times, avoid driving near the school gates and Park and Stride from somewhere a few minutes walk away.



How do we currently travel to school?

There are over 70 schools in Southampton alone. The chart below gives a snapshot of how children have travelled to school over the last 5 years.

Southampton School Travel 2012 - 2017



How we can all increase active and sustainable travel on the school run

- We can change our own travel behaviour, thereby supporting the health and well-being of our families and school communities.
- Schools can include active travel in their school curriculum and ethos.
- We can work together to develop transport schemes that remove barriers to active travel.

To see what initiatives are currently running which your school could be involved with visit: myjourneysouthampton.com/education

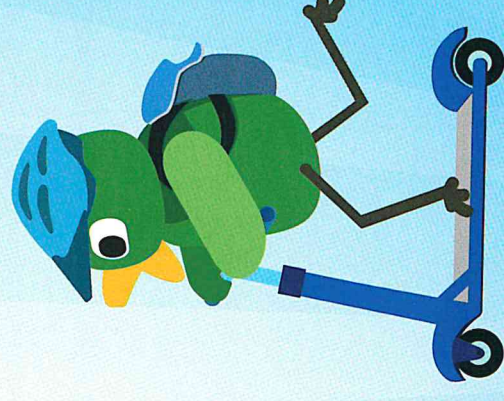
Useful contacts at Southampton City Council

School Travel Planning Team

- Air quality
 - Scooter Training
 - School Travel Plans
 - WOW Scheme
 - Parkwise Parking Promise
 - Sustrans' Bike It
 - STARS accreditation
 - Park and Stride
 - Walk to School Week
 - Junior Road safety Officer Scheme (JRSO)
- E: hazel.agombar@southampton.gov.uk

Sustrans Team

- Bike It Project
 - Cycle training
 - Scooter training
 - Active Travel assemblies and workshops
 - Bike Dr
 - Bike maintenance sessions
- E: jenny.babey@sustrans.org.uk



Your child is starting a new school and your family's routine will change too.

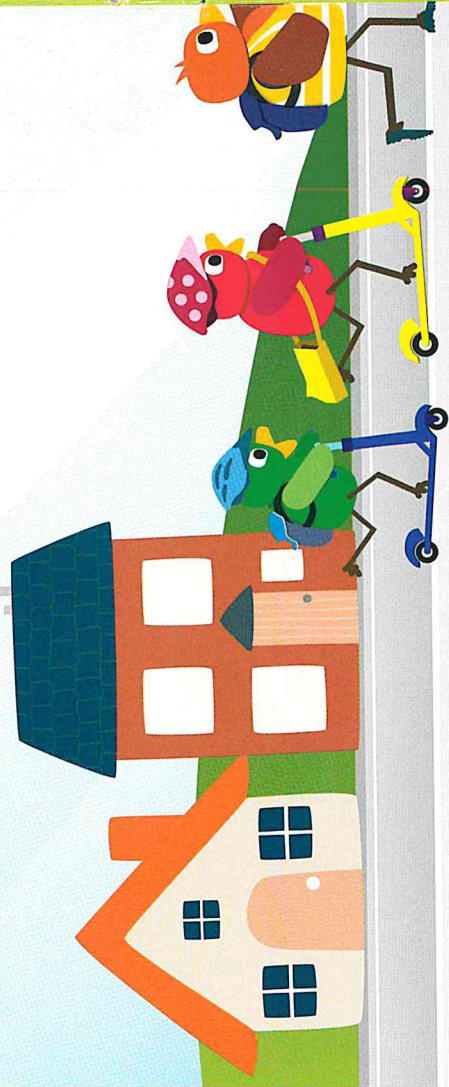
So now is the perfect time to look at how your child will travel to school. The school run is a great opportunity to start your and your child's day in a positive and energised way.

By leaving the car at home or parking a short distance away from the school gate and walking the last 5-10 minutes to school, you will help to reduce congestion, improve local air quality and make the school run safer. Your child will be healthier, happier and ready to learn.

This booklet shows you how you can make small and easy changes to your journey to school that can make a big difference.

Who are we?

We are the School Travel Planning Team and we work with school communities to promote safer, active and sustainable travel to school, with the support of key stakeholders including local residents. The aim being to reduce the number of children being driven to and from school, to give you and your child the opportunity to exercise, reduce traffic and congestion around the school and to improve air quality and the environment for the local community.



Drawing competition

This is what clean air smells like to me

Please complete entry details overleaf