

How do you travel to school?

We were very interested in the breakdown of numbers of how the children travelled to school. We all felt more parents and children should park and stride!



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FEELING SAFE

What would encourage others to walk to school?

There were lots of suggestions. Here are a few- walking bus (more walk to school weeks), badges/ stickers, class charts, bikes/ scooters, promote fitness, posters around the school.

Do you feel safe travelling to school?

The majority did feel safe. There were a few who felt that traffic seemed to have increased and did not like the fumes coming from the cars especially as there seems to be so many areas of Barnet at present with road works. One class commented on the speed limit in Vale Drive and said that some drivers did not follow this which could lead to an accident. Some of the younger children said that they feel safe because they cross roads with their parents.

PUPIL VOICE
**Xavier, Julia, Jacob, Lyla, Maia,
Sophia, Megan, Nael, Lucas, Giulio,
Mateusz, Oliver, Roisin**

Views of our independent travellers

The year 5 & 6 children were extremely positive about walking to and from school. They enjoyed walking home with their friends. Sometimes they met older children who could be a little silly but on the whole it really was a very positive experience. The important thing was to find the safest route home and to concentrate when crossing busy roads.

What would make you feel safer travelling to school?

The children said they would feel safer if adults parked correctly and followed the speed limit. One suggestion was posters along the fence to remind adults this is a school with young children.

Do you think traffic is bad around our school?

The children all agreed it was but this was not helped by the poor parking and some parents stopping in the middle of the road and letting their children out. This can make some children late! There are several primary schools in this area which also leads to a lot of traffic especially if there are road works.

List the things we do as a community to ensure you are safe and happy.

There were so many positive ways given.

- Assemblies- Road Safety, Anti-Bullying Week, E-Safety, NSPCC
- At the end of school day teachers ensure we are collected by our parents
- Staff & children work together and the staff make sure we are happy
- Fire-drills prepare us – we know what to do
- School trips are well planned
- We know we can TELL an adult if we are worried or upset
- We have a voice! We are listened to
- The fence and school gates keep us safe.

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday 5th February 2019

Venue: Library