

29th April 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Starting on **Monday 19th May**, we are excited to take part in the annual **Walk to School Week** – a national initiative aimed at getting children more active and encouraging healthy habits that can last a lifetime.

Walking, cycling, or scooting to school helps children begin their day with some exercise, which can improve focus, concentration, and overall physical and mental wellbeing. There's also the added benefit of reducing traffic congestion and carbon emissions around the school, contributing to a healthier environment.

If you live too far to walk the whole way, we encourage you to **park a little further away**—such as at the Drummond Centre car park—and walk the rest of the journey. Cycling or scooting are great alternatives too!

This week is a great opportunity to talk with your children about:

- The **Green Cross Code** and road safety
- The **health and environmental benefits** of active travel

To encourage participation, each class will have a chart for children to record their daily morning exercise. Those who take part every day will receive a **certificate** at the end of the week!

Look out for some of the teachers who will also be joining!

This year, there is also a poster competition, The Road Safety Team need a poster designed to spread the important message of how important it is to always wear a seatbelt. Your poster needs to have:

- Big and bold lettering
- Stand out
- Catchy message/ slogan telling the reader to always wear their seatbelt

The closing date is Friday 6th June 2025 and please email entries to road.safety@hants.gov.uk

For further details please see the link below:

<https://sway.cloud.microsoft/W2NiLIKEtN5lyqms?ref=Link>

Safe walking!

Kind regards,

Lisa Yeoman

