



School Travel Policy

Our school is a healthy school which supports its students to become independent, capable members of the community with the skills to constructively participate and make a positive contribution to the place where we live

Walking and cycling ...

- keeps us fit and healthy
- helps our students develop road safety skills which will keep them safe as they travel further afield and more independently
- helps keep our local air clean, and our streets free from congestion
- is a life skill that everyone should be able to benefit from



We recognise that young teenagers in London are more likely to be involved in a road collision than any other age group. Accidents can happen because it's the first time that they've travelled to school independently, are distracted by

friends or electronic devices, or simply by misjudging traffic speeds.

At Redden Court School we have a number of bike storage spaces. In order to cycle to and from school and use the storage facilities students need to possess a 'cycle permit'. This can be obtained on the completion of the Bikeability Level 2 cycle proficiency test which can be done in school. If the test is done prior to Year 7 all certificates must be presented so a permit can be issued.

In addition to the cycle proficiency test, all cycles must be road worthy with both front and back brakes as well as lights and reflectors all working. We strongly encourage students to wear helmets however it's ultimately the parents/carers responsibility to enforce this. Permits can be revoked by the school should a student fail to meet these requirements.

What we do

- We have a **School Travel Team** which works with new students to ensure that they receive information about how they can travel to school
- We **promote safe and active travel** as much as possible by using our noticeboard, displays, newsletter and website
- We encourage all members of our school community to **walk, cycle or travel by public transport** for the journey to school
- Where a car must be used we ask students to ask their parents to drive only part of the way, and drop them off **away from the school** so that some of the journey can be walked
- We ask everyone who travels by bus to consider whether they could actually walk instead, and if they can't walk all the way to **get off the bus at least two stops early and walk the**



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last part of the journey

- All local **school trips** are made by public transport where possible, or on foot if the destination is close by
- We let all **new students and their parent/carers** know that we are an active travel school before the child starts at our school
- We ask families driving to school and parking or stopping and dropping in the near vicinity to do so legally, safely and with respect for our neighbours and local residents. We also ask drivers to switch off engines whilst waiting.
- It is *not acceptable* to park or wait on double yellow lines, on the school zigzags or across residential driveways for *any* length of time.