

Westfield Primary School Travel Forum Newsletter

What have we been up to so far?



The school Travel forum were pleased to be involved in campaigning for a safer junction at the bottom of Durrants Lane, and the installation of traffic lights.

We are very pleased with our Silver status with the STARS scheme. This is a countrywide scheme, and shows the school's efforts to encourage active travel to and from school.



Eight year 6 children volunteered to become Junior Travel Ambassadors. They help the school travel forum by coming up with ideas for competitions to encourage more active journeys, they take part in assemblies and help distribute the WOW badges for children who walk at least once a week to school.

We took part in the Big Pedal again this year. Everyone who took part in the Big Pedal had the opportunity to come to a breakfast supplied by W1SPA (the school PTA).



All children had an opportunity to enter the competition for designing a WOW badge. 10 children took up the challenge, and we were able to enter 3 of the best.

We have a walking bus operating on a Tuesday and also a Scooter bus on a Wednesday. This is helping to increase our active journeys to school.



The year 4 children have received pedestrian training and do so every year from volunteers from the travel forum. This is so that they are ready to walk independently in year 5. The JTAs are also involved with car awareness training.

The year 2 children have received scooter training from a representative from Herts CC. Despite the weather they have learned how to safely travel and more importantly stop!

This year will be a first with year 6 leaving and transitioning to secondary school. With this in mind we have organised a transition walk, to find different routes to the pupils new school, and also to meet some new children who they will be joining.

Our future work

Having successfully achieved Silver in STARS this year and having been accredited with Bronze last year we are now aiming for Gold.

We know that it is not always possible to walk all the way to school. To encourage more walking we have approached a number of local businesses to see if we can use their car parks as a Park and Stride facility. Unfortunately at the moment we have not had any response. If you know of any businesses who would like to help us 1 day a week, and are about a 5 minute walk away from school please contact Jo Turner.

On Going

We are always trying to ensure that the surrounding area of the school is kept as safe as possible, the zig zag lines are being adhered to, and that the school neighbours are not being inconvenienced by inconsiderate parking. Please help us to keep this up

The Travel Forum

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