

Barthol Chapel Primary School

TRAVEL PLAN

2013-2014



Barthol Chapel is a small, rural primary school situated about 22 miles from the city of Aberdeen and 4½ miles from the villages of Tarves, Methlick and Fyvie. It is the third school to be built in Barthol Chapel and was opened on 23rd May 1968.

WHAT IS A TRAVEL PLAN?

A Travel plan is a document which encourages people to travel to our school in an eco-friendly, healthy and safe way.

Everyone in school (Children, Parents, Staff, Bus Drivers, Road Safety Officers) have helped to make this information leaflet.

Thank you everyone for your help.

HOW DOES BARTHOL CHAPEL PRIMARY SCHOOL BENEFIT FROM HAVING A SCHOOL TRAVEL PLAN?

- Encourages the reduction of traffic around the school and makes it safer.
- Helps develop road safety skills.
- Increases travel awareness.
- Improves health and fitness.
- Campaigns for safer walking and cycling routes.
- Help reduce pollution and increase environmental awareness.
- Encourages pupils to take responsibility or health and safety – increasing independence and self-esteem.
- Promotes good relationships between the school and the community.



OUR ACHIEVEMENTS

WE ARE A CYCLE FRIENDLY SCHOOL!

- Yearly Road Safety training for all children.
- Yearly Road Safety focus day. (Be Bright Be Seen Day at School)
- Two year rolling programme of Cycle Training.
- Cycle racks and cycle safety reminder poster displayed in our playground.
- Road Safety posters displayed on local notice board reminding drivers to slow down.
- Participation in authority travel surveys.
- Participate in the annual 'Big Pedal'.
- Promote cycling to school by holding special bring your bike to school day.

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OUR NEXT STEPS

- Line Markings to mark out car spaces, safe areas to walk and bus stops.
- Road Safety reminder signs in the playground.
- Signs reminding drivers to slow down! Children are also on the roads!
- To promote our school travel plan within our own school (Each child receiving a copy also to include in new pupil welcome pack.)
- Develop a School Travel web page promoting cycling to school on our school website



WAYS OF TRAVELLING TO SCHOOL

1. Walk, Scooter or cycle.
2. Bus
3. Taxi or Car

HOW WE TRAVEL TO SCHOOL

We mostly travel to school by bus or car because we live too far from our school. The roads surrounding our school are single track without pavements and not safe to walk or cycle on.

We car share to reduce our carbon footprint.



HOW WE TRAVEL TO SCHOOL

50% Bus

44% Car

6% Walk



SAFE TRAVEL TO SCHOOL FOR PARENTS

WALKING

When the time comes to teach your child about crossing the road, remember the following:

- always set a good example by choosing a safe place to cross and explaining what you're doing
- let your child help you decide where and when it's safe to cross
- tell your child that it's safest to cross at a pedestrian crossing or a crossing patrol
- tell your child not to cross where they can't see far along the road
- explain that they should not try to cross a road between parked cars; drivers won't be able to see them very well and the cars might start moving
- use the Green Cross Code with your child; explain that you have to stop at the kerb, then look both ways and listen for traffic before crossing
- when it's safe to cross, walk straight across the road and keep looking and listening out for traffic
- remind your children to concentrate - they may be easily distracted, forget what they have been taught and dash out into the road
- make sure that anyone else looking after your child follows the same road safety rules that you do

CAR/SCHOOL BUS



Take care when travelling to school.



Please remind your child to always wear a Seatbelt.

Remind your child of the school/car safe travelling rules.



SAFE TRAVEL TO SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN

WALKING



1.

Think first

Find a safe place to cross then stop



2.

Stop

Stand on the pavement near the kerb



3.

Use your eyes and ears

Look all around for traffic and listen



4.

Wait 'till it's safe to cross

If traffic is coming let it pass

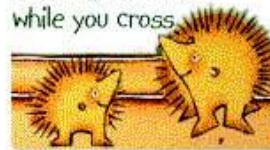


5.

Look and Listen

When there's no traffic near walk straight across the road

6. Arrive alive
Keep looking and listening for traffic while you cross



Remember the
green cross code

WEAR BRIGHT CLOTHING! BE BRIGHT AND BE SEEN!

CAR/BUS

Riding in cars or school buses comes with some responsibility: You need to ride safely. Luckily, it's not hard to do. Keep reading and you'll learn the rules of car and bus safety.



To be safe when they travel to and from school, follow these simple safety rules:

AT THE BUS STOP OR CAR PARK

- Always walk to the bus stop. Never run.
- Walk on the sidewalk. If there is no sidewalk, walk on the left facing traffic.
- Always go to the bus stop about five minutes before the bus is scheduled to arrive.
- While at the bus stop, wait in a safe place away from the road. Do not run and play while waiting.
- Wait for the bus to stop. Cross only when all traffic has stopped. Look left, right, and left again before crossing.

ON THE BUS OR CAR

- Go directly to a seat. Put your seat belt on. Remain seated and facing forward for the entire ride.
- Talk quietly (so the driver will not be distracted).
- If you need to talk to the bus driver: wait for the bus to stop, raise your hand, and call the driver's name.
- Never throw things on the bus or out the windows. Never play with the emergency exits.
- Keep the aisles clear at all times.
- If there is an emergency, listen to the driver and follow instructions.

EXIT THE BUS OR CAR

- When getting off the bus make sure you walk (not run). Stay away from the bus wheels and watch out for moving cars!
- Once you get off the bus, go straight home so an adult will know where you are.
- Only get on and off the bus at your designated stop. If you need to get off the bus somewhere else, you will need to have a note from your parents.

- If you leave something on the bus, never return to the bus to get it. The driver may not see you come back and they may begin moving the bus. Also, if you drop something near the bus, tell the bus driver before you attempt to pick it up, so they will know where you are.

USEFUL WEBSITES

- www.3m.org.uk/streetwise
- www.dft.gov.uk/think/
- www.brake.org.uk
- www.talesoftheroad.direct.gov.uk

OUR PLEA

***Please take care when driving on
the roads around our school
because we are on the road too!***

*Thank You
From all the Boys and Girls
Barthol Chapel Primary School*

