

ROAD SAFETY CHAMPION

HANDBOOK

This booklet is to help you in your new role.

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CONGRATULATIONS ON BEING CHOSEN TO BE ONE OF OUR TWO ROAD SAFETY CHAMPIONS!

What Do We Have To Do?

Each term you will have a chance to take part in an exciting activity and provide really important road safety information to everyone in your school. You will be able to run competitions, design posters, speak in assembly, and arrange events – you can be as creative as you like!

Who Will Help Us?

You will have an adult in school to help you (ask your teacher who that will be) and you will also be able to ask a Road Safety Advisor for help. Your teacher/adult helper will have these details, or there are contact details on page 8.

How Do We Do It?

By reading this handbook, going through the Staying Street Safe information booklet in your Road Safety Champion pack and going online (see Page 5 for Road Safety Websites). As well as the suggestions above, you can also make a school road safety noticeboard, write newsletters and, with assistance from your adult helper, arrange visits from your Road Safety Officer, Police Community Support Officers (PCSOs), School Crossing Patrols (Lollipop People) and the Fire Service.



HOW TO GET IMPORTANT ROAD SAFETY MESSAGES ACROSS TO EVERYONE IN YOUR SCHOOL

NOTICE BOARDS

Ask your adult helper to find you a notice board where everyone will see it. You will need a big clear title such as 'Road Safety' or 'Road Safety Champions'. Make sure it is bright and change it regularly to keep it interesting. You might want to give it a special theme each term.

Look in the diary section of this handbook for ideas. There is a link in your pack to download posters which you could display on the notice board or make your own. You can also display details of your competitions, newsletters and any events you have coming up...get creative!

ASSEMBLIES

Try to arrange an assembly each term at a time arranged by your adult helper and/or Headteacher. Give yourselves enough time to prepare and take advice from your helper. Practice what you need to say, speak clearly with a loud voice, and try to look at people when you say it, so that they know the message is for them. You might be able to borrow equipment, like mini crossings, to help. See page 8 of this booklet for more information.



TIPS FOR ARRANGING YOUR ROAD SAFETY MESSAGES AND WHICH AREAS OF ROAD SAFETY ARE IMPORTANT

TOP TIPS

Don't try and do too many things at once. Choose a topic or two, but make sure you feature The Green Cross Code every term.

Plan well ahead! Have regular meetings with your adult helper, they will be able to help with any questions you might have. They can also help arrange resources using the contact details on page 8 of this booklet.

Keep in touch, let us know what you are doing, and always give your name and school.

IMPORTANT ROAD SAFETY AREAS

- Green Cross Code
- Safe Places To Cross
- Be Bright Be Seen - so drivers can see you in the dark, on dull days and in bad weather
- Wearing a Seat Belt or Using a Special Child Car Seat
- Safe Parking by Grown-ups, especially near school
- Safe Places to Play
- Cycle and Scooter Safety
- How long it takes a car to stop

SURFING FOR SAFETY

WWW.TFGM.COM/SAFER-ROADS

Online worksheets that you can download and print off for your lessons and competitions.

WWW.THINK.GOV.UK/RESOURCES/TALES-OF-THE-ROAD

Learn about the Green Cross Code, road signs and markings, and see the latest adverts and competitions.

WWW.THINK.GOV.UK/EDUCATION-RESOURCES/

Click on the Road Safety Resources tab for lots of great resources.

WWW.ROADSAFETYWEEK.ORG.UK

Lots of information about Road Safety Week.

WWW.BRAKE.ORG.UK

Brake are a road safety charity with lots of information.

WWW.ROADSAFETY.SCOT

Road Safety Scotland's website which has some great ideas and general ideas plus activities and competitions.

Use this space to jot down any more useful road safety websites you find.

YOUR PLAN FOR THE YEAR

This is where you can record your plan for the subjects you will cover each term. We have made some suggestions below but use the booklets in your Road Safety Champions pack, the online resources, discuss with your adult helper and also what you see happening around you to make a plan for the year ahead.

There is more space at the back of this booklet for notes if you have big plans!

OUR SUGGESTIONS

Autumn term

Be Bright Be Seen
Parked cars
Green Cross Code

Spring term

Walk to school
School-gate parking
Green Cross Code

Summer term

Cycle safety
Seat belts
Green Cross Code

Autumn term

Spring term

Summer term

ITEMS ON LOAN TO HELP WITH YOUR MESSAGES

We have a number of items you can borrow to help promote your messages to everyone in your school. You can use these to make your campaigns and competitions fun and interesting! Just ask your Adult Helper to contact us to arrange this, and we will deliver them to your school and collect them when you have finished with them.

A Road Safety Advisor can be contacted on:

ROADSAFETY@TFGM.COM



SETTING UP A COMPETITION!

- First write your competition details and rules and read through them carefully.
- Decide on the date to launch your competition.
- Find out if your school can offer any prizes – if possible, a 1st, 2nd and 3rd for Key Stage 1 pupils, and the same for Key Stage 2.
- Make sure that pupils are clear about the rules, the closing date for entries and who will be judging them.
- Encourage as many pupils as possible to enter, by putting it on your Road Safety noticeboard, your school website, advertising it in parent email or school app, by visiting assemblies and by talking to people in the playground or outside school.
- Build a postbox for entries to be put in, make sure everyone knows where it is. We have a hand label for the front you can download from the website, or make your own themed around the competition subject.
- Remember to allow enough time for everyone to get their entries completed and posted in your postbox!
- Check each entry has a name and class written on it.
- Certificates for Road Safety winners can be downloaded from the Safer Roads website, ask your Adult Helper to help you with this.

STOP,
LOOK,
LISTEN,
THINK!



YOUR NOTES

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