

Your child will be taking part in the Schools Go Smarter **Child Pedestrian Training** Programme next term. The programme aims to teach children important road safety skills, which they can use to keep themselves safe as pedestrians. Please sign and return the consent form to school, so your child can take part in this invaluable training.

As a parent or carer, there are lots of things you can do to help your child keep safe next to the road. Your behaviour and how you act around roads will strongly influence how your child behaves; remember that showing a good example near the road is one of the best ways to help children learn how to be safe. So, it is important that you always use the **Green Cross Code** when crossing the road.

The **Green Cross Code** is a set of **4 rules** that we use when crossing the road, they are: **Stop, Look, Listen** and **Think**.

- **Stop** with our feet behind the kerb.
- **Look** all around for traffic. Remember to **look right first** as this is where our nearest danger comes from. **Then we look left and back to the right again.**
- **Listen** carefully for traffic, as sometimes we can hear the traffic before we can see it. Remember, not all traffic makes a noise, such as bicycles and electric vehicles.
- **Think** – is it a safe place to cross? If it is safe, then cross the road in a straight line, looking and listening. If not, wait until the traffic clears or move away and look for somewhere safer.

The training takes part at the roadside and each child will be given a high viz waistcoat to wear. Please ensure that your child comes to school with a coat if it is cold or raining, a cap/suncream in the summer and is wearing sensible shoes.

Can you please complete the attached consent form and return to school in order for your child to take part.

Thank you, we look forward to teaching your child how to stay safe.

Dates for our sessions are Monday 26 February and Mondays 04, 11, 18 and 25 March 2024.

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