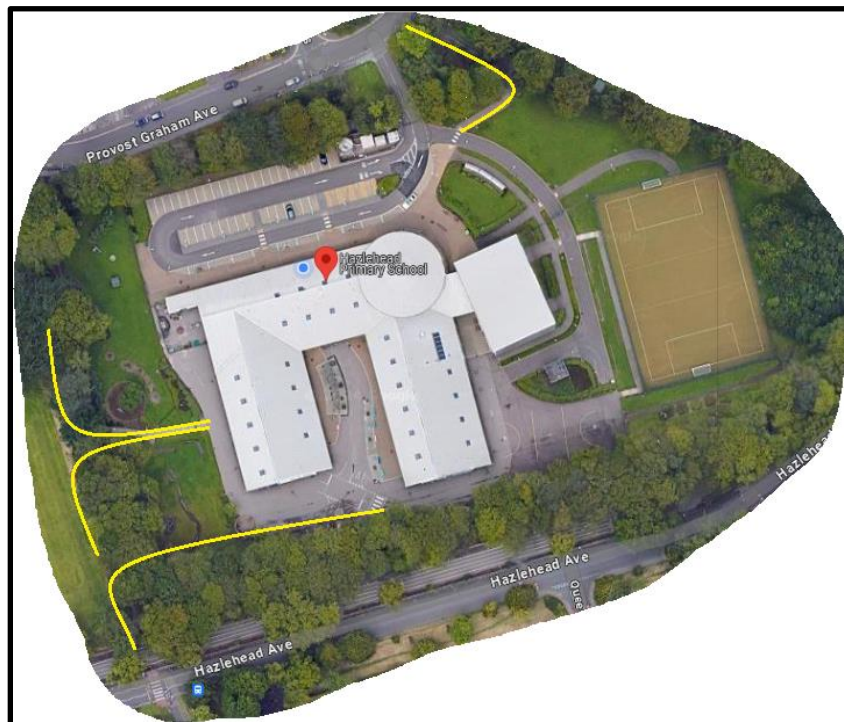


Hazlehead School Travel Plan 2023/24

About Us

Hazlehead School is situated to the west of Aberdeen city, neighbouring Hazlehead Park and Queen's Road. Our Associated School Group (ASG) includes Fernielea School, Airyhall School, Kingsford School, Countesswells School and Hazlehead Academy. The school roll is 400, which includes the nursery. The school was built in 2010 and has many pedestrian access points. There is an on-site car park for staff and visitors - this includes disabled spaces and zebra crossings.

Hazlehead Primary School Pedestrian Access Points



Rationale

As a school we are heavily involved in many valuable initiatives, such as Eco Schools, Rights Respecting Schools, and the Gold Sports Award. We are committed to raising awareness of global and community issues relating to the health, wellbeing and safety of others.

School Vision and Values

Our vision is simple: ***'When you believe in yourself, anything is possible.'***

Our values and value characters are central to the ethos of the school:

Courage - Fairness - Opportunity - Respectful - Responsibility



The school values underpin all that we do. Having an effective School Travel Plan demonstrates our commitment to developing **responsible** citizens and providing equal and **fair opportunities** for safe travel to and from the school.

UN Convention on the Rights of a Child

The following rights have been identified as being at the heart of our school travel planning.



UN Sustainable Development Goals

The following global goals have been identified as being at the heart of our school travel planning.



Statistical Evidence (September 2022)

*****2023 data released May 2024**

Our school conducts numerous travel surveys in order to build up a picture of our travel patterns and behaviours. This data tells the story of our progress to date and helps to identify our next steps.

Pupil Travel Statistics P1-P7 (Hands Up)

35% (120/337) Walk
12% (41/337) cycle
5% (17/337) scooter
19% (64/337) park and stride
24% (80/337) drive
4% (13/337) bus
1% (2/337) taxi

Pupil Travel Statistics Nursery (Hands Up)

35% (22/63) walk
5% (3/63) cycle
60% (38/63) drive

Staff Travel Statistics

60% (28/47) drive independently
26% (12/47) walk
12% (6/47) car share
2% (1/47) cycle

Current Traffic Problems

- Parents not adhering to school policy and causing congestion around the school grounds.
- Parents parking on the road adjacent to the school and causing traffic flow problems for local residents.
- Drivers not obeying the speed limit in the car park.

Action Points for 2023/24

- Set up sub groups within Health and Eco Group to implement action points from STP (below).
- Continue to audit the school environment on an annual basis.
- Conduct regular surveys such as Wow Travel Tracker/ Hands Up Survey to inform progress.
- Set up JRSO (Junior Road Safety Officers).
- Continue Bikeability to ensure all pupils can ride a bike by P7.
- Promote alternative ways to get to school (Wheelie Wednesday/Walking Wednesday).
- Promote the WOW Travel Tracker in classes to gather daily information about pupil transport habits.
- Liaise with parents to reduce traffic and parking congestion around the school.
- Introduce the WOW Tracker Active Travel Plan to promote safe routes and areas for walking and park & stride in the immediate vicinity.
- Promote the adherence of the speed limit in the car park.

Tips to keep safe when walking to and from school

- Plan your route to school at home first. There are many different routes to get to school in the area.
- There are many different crossing facilities such as - Zebra crossings, pelican and islands, try to make use of the crossings.
- Try to prevent crossing near parked cars, busy and main roads.
- Be bright and visible so drivers will spot you.
- Stay aware of driveways and narrow entrances

Tips to keep you safe when cycling and scooting to and from school

- Always wear a helmet
- Always wear bright clothing
- Plan a safe route to cycle on
- Always be aware of your surroundings such as cars or pedestrians
- No cycling or scooting in the playground
- Ride in a position you can see and be seen by others

Tips when driving to school

- Make sure you leave your house with plenty of time in case of any unexpected delays, please make sure that you find a convenient and safe place to park.
- Park and Stride - parking five to ten minutes from school can help massively with overcoming blockages.
- Remember to keep your speeds below five mph in the school and under 20 around the perimeter.
- Remember to reverse park in the school as it is Aberdeen City Council policy

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It is a key priority to ensure the pupils at Hazlehead Primary are **Safe, Healthy, Active, Nurtured, Achieving, Respected, Responsible** and **Included**. We submit this School Travel Plan with the hope and expectation that all members of our school community embrace its content and help to make Hazlehead School a safer place for everyone.

HAZLEHEAD ACTIVE TRAVEL ZONE

KEY

- Parking Exclusion Zone
- Walking routes
- 5-minute Walk Zone
- Traffic Lights
- Zebra Crossing

5 minutes

Walking an extra 5 minutes to and from school adds up to almost an hour of walking a week, and will help cardiovascular fitness, keep your heart healthy and tone muscles – great for our growing generation!

WHAT IS PARK & STRIDE?

This means driving part of the way to school then walking the final 5-10 minutes. If more people did this there would be fewer cars moving and parking next to the school, making it safer and giving more space for everyone at the school entrance.

Walking to school with other families is a great way to build an active community and create safer, friendlier streets. Encourage your friends and family to walk with you and make getting to school on foot an everyday choice.

Crossing the road is part of everyday life and it is essential that children learn how to do it safely.

Always use the Green Cross Code with children over 7, younger children should be taught to:

STOP **LOOK**
LISTEN **THINK**

WORRIED ABOUT SAFETY? SHOW AS YOU GO!

Showing your children how to spot risks and be safe near roads is one of the best ways to protect them. Practising road safety makes children more aware, more confident and safer around traffic.

Our school is committed to making our community active and eco-friendly for everyone. We have pupil-led steering groups that help move forward these important issues. We also have many community projects in place, including a school travel plan to help keep everyone safe, an Eco Green Flag award for sustainability, and a series of litter initiatives that keep our community clean.

Our school also takes part in the Wow Travel Tracker which encourages pupils to travel actively to school. By creating an Active Travel Plan, we can impact the school community even further.

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