

PEDESTRIAN SKILLS TRAINING: R5

Actively teaching pedestrian skills can build upon children's existing knowledge and help develop skills which will enable them to travel more safely and confidently. It can also serve as a great activity to involve parents and carers - building bridges between the children's learning at school and home.

Pedestrian skills training can be done through workshops with external partners, such as HCC Road Safety Team, in class training with activities such as role play and small world, and guided walks and sessions exploring the roads near schools, crossing points and behaviours.

PEDESTRIAN SKILLS TRAINING: SET UP

What skill to teach? Identify which skill you want to teach based on the needs of the children or the infrastructure around school.

Location: The session could be a guided walk or taught in school.

Numbers: Focus group or whole class? How many adults will be needed? For a large guided walk, parent volunteers may be needed.

Risk Assessment and Resources: What needs to be in place before the session?

POSSIBLE SKILLS TRAINING IDEAS

Role Play: Crossings, roads and driveways could be drawn out in the playground for children to role play and practice.

Small World: Small world play in the EYFS can be a great way of introducing skills, routines and act our scenarios.

Guided Walks: Getting out to practice pedestrian skills with the guidance of adults on roads near school.

Sensory Games: Games that boost still developing sound differentiation and peripheral vision.

PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES

Promote to pupils: Could the sessions be supported by an assembly, a poster competition or a presentation?

Promote to parents: Create a social media post and newsletter article explaining the purpose and benefits of pedestrian skills training so parents can practice at home too.

Promote walking to school: Guided walks can help promote the skills and confidence needed for walking to and from school.

SUPPORTING ACTIVITIES

Road Safety day / week: Could focusing in on Road Safety for a whole school event or week help engrain the skills learnt and promote them?

School invites experts / organisations to talk about road safety: sessions with HCC Road Safety Team or similar organisations.

Parent parking campaign: whilst promoting pedestrian skills for the children, why not promote responsible parking by parents at the same time?

SUPPORTING CAMPAIGNS, EVENTS & WEBSITES

Events:

Sept: Travelwise Week
Oct: Walktober
Nov: Road Safety Week
Apr: Beep Beep Day
May: Walk to School Week
June: Brake's Kids Walk

Useful websites:

[My Journey - Road Safety for Primary](#)
[HCC - Road Safety](#)
[Brake - Teaching Resources](#)
[ROPSA - Teaching Resources](#)

R5: Pedestrian Skills Training

R19-21: Other Road Safety and Training Initiative
 W11: Walking Trips

PR9: Assembly
 PR10: Social Media Campaign
 CU7: Road Safety Lessons

R18: Road Safety Day / Week
 R11: School Invites Road Safety Experts
 AQ7: Parent Parking Campaign

R9: Road Safety Presentation
 W6: Walk to School Week
 W7: Walk to School Month

POSSIBLE TOTAL: 5 TRAVEL INITIATIVES AND 3 SUPPORTING INITIATIVES