Kings International College

Active Travel Policy



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# 1. Aims

We actively encourage our pupils and staff to walk or cycle to school as these modes of travel:

- keep us fit and healthy
- help our students to develop road safety skills which will keep them safe as they travel further afield and more independently
- help keep our local air clean, and our streets free from congestion
- are life skills that everyone should be able to benefit from

# 2. What we do

- We use Modeshift STARS to update and monitor our school travel plan
- We promote safe and active travel as much as possible by using our newsletters and website at http://www.kings-international.co.uk/
- We encourage all members of our school community to walk, cycle or travel by public transport for the journey to school. To support this we provide:
  - Cycle training (Bikeability Level 3)
  - Pedestrian training
  - Cycle parking
  - o Lockers for helmets/equipment
  - Public transport information (see Appendix 2)
- Consideration is given to school trips being made by public transport where possible and practicable, or on foot if the destination is close by
- We let all new pupils and their parents/carers know that we promote healthy and sustainable travel to school before the child starts at our school

### 3. What we ask of parents

- Please encourage your child(ren) to walk or cycle to school whenever possible
- Ensure your child(ren) walk or ride sensibly and safely on the way to and from school, and to push bikes on school grounds
- Ensure that bicycles are roadworthy and properly maintained. If in doubt consult a qualified mechanic
- Provide your child(ren) with a cycle helmet
- Ensure your child(ren) can be seen by fitting lights to their bike by supplying them with high-visibility clothing
- Make sure your child(ren) has a lock for their bike and that they know how to use it
- Ensure you have appropriate insurance cover for your child(ren)'s bicycle as the school is not liable for any loss or damage to cycles or scooters on the premises or being used on the way to or from school

We understand that sometimes there is no alternative to driving to school.

- Where a car must be used we ask parents to drive only part of the way, and drop their child(ren) off away from the school so that some of the journey can be walked
  - We have a 10 / 15 minute walk zone and several suggested drop-off & stride locations; we ask parents to drop-off outside of the zones using the suggested locations to minimise congestion and improve road safety for students walking to school. *Please see map in Appendix 1 for details.*
- If you do have to drive your child(ren) and stop in the near vicinity please do so legally, safely and with respect for our neighbours and local residents
  - It is not acceptable to park or wait on double yellow lines, on the school zigzags or across residential driveways for any period of time.
  - Vehicular access to the school site is not permitted to parents at the end of the school day between 2.45pm and 3.20pm unless prior approval has been granted. Applications for access must be submitted to the *Health & Safety Coordinator* and will be considered for accessibility and /or safeguarding reasons only; valid permits must be displayed clearly on the dashboard.

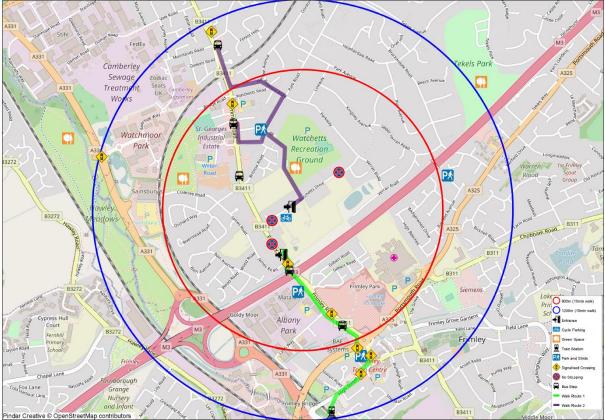
Please note that the decision on whether a child is competent to cycle to school is for the parent(s) or carer(s) to make. The school has no liability for any consequences arising from this decision.

### 4. What we ask of pupils

- Ask your parents if you can walk or cycle to school
- Behave in a way that shows you and the school in the best light whether walking or cycling
- Ride or walk courteously, sensibly and safely on the way to and from school
- Dismount from bikes on entering school grounds
- Push bikes on school grounds
- Check that your bike is roadworthy and properly maintained
- Wear a cycle helmet
- Make sure you can be seen by using lights in the dark or bad weather and by wearing high-visibility clothing
- Make sure you have a lock for your bike and that you use it
- Be courteous to other students and members of the public when using public transport and behave sensibly and safely when using public transport on the way to and from school. Behaviour on school and/ or public transport which brings the school into disrepute, will be dealt with as per behaviour policy.
- If you travel to school by bus, alight at the James Road or Crabtree Road bus stops on the Frimley Road where pedestrian crossings are located. There is a pedestrian entrance adjacent to the James Road crossing on the Frimley Road.
- If you travel by bus, can you get off the bus at least two stops early and walk the last part of the journey?

#### Appendix 1 Kings International College Travel Map





# Appendix 2 Kings International College Catchment Bus Routes Map

