



Knowsley Council

Summer Term 2020

Dear Parent / Guardian

Year 3 Road Safety

I hope that you are keeping well during these difficult times and that you and your family are staying safe.

Traffic is one of the greatest threats to the lives of young children with more children killed or seriously injured in road traffic collisions than through any other accidental cause. It is vital therefore that young children are still provided with road safety education even if they are not in school.

At this time of year Knowsley's Road Safety Team would usually be delivering a workbook for Year 3 teachers to work through with the children in their class. This obviously isn't possible at this time. Instead I have asked schools to send this home to their Year 3 pupils for them to look at with you and complete as homework.

Instead of sending the whole workbook out I will ask your school to send a section home a week. By breaking it down in this way it will take less time and also provide children with the time to think about what they have been learning before moving on to the next section. These sections can be printed at home but this is not necessary. Each page can be completed by having a discussion and/or choosing the correct answers on the screen.

I really hope that you are able to find the time to discuss these issues with your child. Whilst some of the work may seem simple and even obvious to adults, the parent notes at the bottom of the pages explain the common errors that children make.

Part One looks at Traffic and asks children to consider how they could be hurt on the road. In particular, it aims to get children to understand how *their* actions are often the cause of collisions on the road. You may be surprised to hear your child say that it would be a driver's fault or even a car's fault! More importantly, it aims to get them to recognise that they can largely control whether or not they are hurt on the road by learning how to keep themselves safe. Subsequent weeks will build upon the knowledge gained in previous sections.

I hope that your child benefits from using this workbook and I would love to see examples of their work, or even photos of them completing the books. You do not need to show your child's face in any photo if you don't want to but I would love to share anything on our social media.

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You can share your child's work with the team via Twitter @ Knowsley_roads, if you could tag #knowsleyroadsafety and #takeextracare that would be fantastic. Alternatively, you can email me at roadsafety@knowsley.gov.uk and let me know if you are happy for me to share their work and whether you would like their name and school included.

If you would like guidance on this or any other road safety education issue, please don't hesitate to contact me or any member of the Road Safety Team by email at roadsafety@knowsley.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "A. Bate". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'A'.

Andrea Bate
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