

Prescot Primary School



Site Traffic Management Plan

January 2017

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Travel Plan Mission Statement

“Prescot Primary School is committed to our children's safety and by reducing car usage and dependency throughout the community by encouraging walking. We will generate awareness of the environment in which we live and offer a wider travel choice for our pupils. We will encourage our pupils to take every opportunity to look after their health and be responsible for their own travel choices. We will also look to build close bonds with our neighbours and do our utmost to reduce congestion and ease parking problems for local residents”.

1 Introduction

We at Prescot Primary School wish to offer the best possible travel choices to our pupils. It is our aim through the Travel Plan to encourage healthy development and focus on safer routes to school. We also aim to ease local congestion at peak times. With this as a priority our School Travel Plan offers a series of practical steps for improving travel choices and children's safety during the school journey. We also aim to offer alternative journey times by offering extended services before and after school.

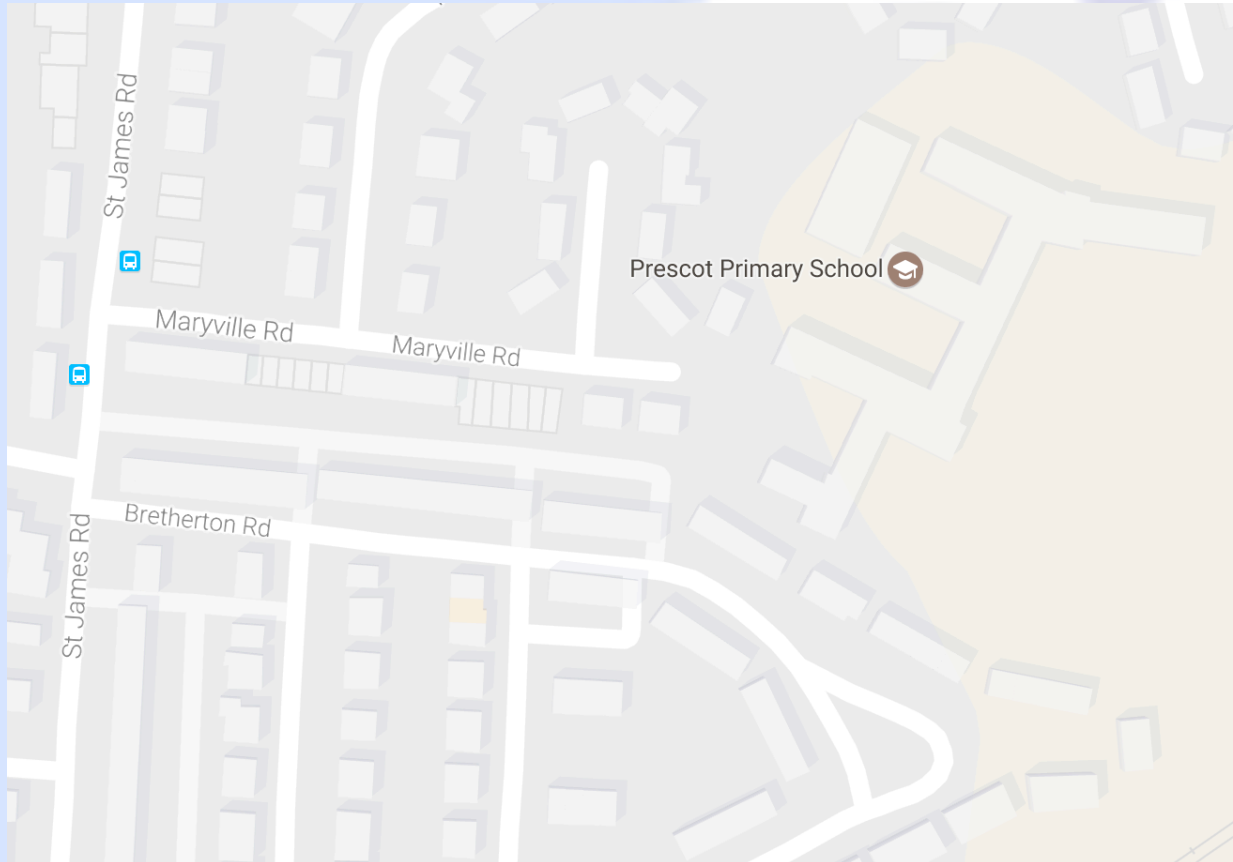
The School Travel Plan will have many positive aspects:

- Reduce the risk of accidents and dangers on the way to and from school.
- Reduce the levels of congestion outside the school gates and improve safety around our school.
- A quieter and more pleasant school neighbourhood.
- Enable parents and children to choose alternatives to car usages.
- Provide scope for children to gain confidence and travel with friends.
- Give children the opportunity to have a say in decisions that affect them.
- Play a part in reducing the consumption of fossil fuels.
- Linking to our school ethos of Healthy Schools.
- Provide evidence to local residents that the school is committed to improving their environment.
- Encourage parents to participate within the school community.
- Involve pupils and get them to take ownership of the plan.
- To promote walking to school as a social part of the day.

2. School Layout / Access

Prescot Primary School is situated in a built up area of Knowlsey. Accesses to school grounds are from Maryville Road via a Pedestrian Entrance Point

A temporary Residents only Permit parking area has been set up in Maryville and Cliftonville Road. It runs Monday to Friday 8.00 am to 6.00pm. This is a temporary arrangement and is to be presented to Knowlsey Council 14th February 2017.



Prescot Primary School

Name	Role
Stephen George	Headteacher
Lisa Seddon	Deputy Headteacher
Sharon Loftus	Assistant Headteacher and SENDCo
Emma George	Assistant Headteacher for EYFS
Rose Moffatt	Learning Mentor and Residents Committee Liaison
Collette Higgs	Site Manager
Suzanne Hulme	Office Manager

Number on roll: 452 (3 to 11 years)

Number of staff: 64 (all staff)

School Address

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<http://www.prescotprimary.org.uk/>

3. Pedestrians

- There is a pavement along Maryville Road and pedestrians should make sure that they use this safely and avoid spilling onto the road. Pupils walking in groups should take this into account and allow other users to pass safely, especially when heading to and from school.
- Pedestrians should only access the school from the designated entry points at the front of the school (Maryville Road) Pedestrians need to recognize that these may be adjacent to vehicular access points that will be in use during peak times and should exercise caution.
- Pedestrians should not use the vehicular access at any time. Please enter through the pedestrian gate. Entry into the school building is through the main set of double doors using the secure entry system.
- Parents and children using Breakfast or After School Club should not enter the school car park in a car until after 4.30pm when the barrier is raised. Pedestrian access to the above clubs is via the main car park and parents are encouraged to escort their children across the car park safely.

4. Pupils

It is very important that pupils set a good example to others, particularly in the spirit of being a safe school. There are a number of site related areas pupils should be aware of:

- Pupils should be particularly aware that entry into the school grounds via vehicular access points (school car park) is strictly forbidden. Whilst this may seem a quick way into the school, it is a breach of the site rules and compromises personal safety and the safety of others.
- Pupils found to be climbing over railings or walls, not following staff instructions in relation to the site, or not adhering to the contents of this plan will be in breach of the site rules and may be subject to disciplinary action.
- Pupils must not walk on the car park unescorted at any time. Pedestrian access to Breakfast and After School Clubs is via the main car park and parents are encouraged to escort their children across the car park safely.
- When using the footpaths – walk! This will avoid accidents and will make you more aware of what is happening around you.
- When entering the school on bike or scooter pupils must dismount when in the school grounds to ensure the safety of other pupils.

Drop Off

There is no designated on site drop off for pupils. We advise that pupils being dropped off/picked up by parents should park in the Prescott Leisure Centre car park and accompany their child(ren) .Please do not block the driveways of our neighbours.

5. Staff

There are two car parks within the school grounds and these are strictly for the use by visitors and school staff. Drivers should proceed slowly within the car parks at all times. Please bear in mind that some young people may have little or no awareness of road safety and you should take account of this.

Staff are expected to act responsibly on the site when parking and accessing the school building. If you are aware of unauthorized use of parking bays, this should be reported via the school receptionist or to the Head teacher who will inform/remind the offending driver of the correct use of the site. There is parking for approx. 30+ cars. Staff/visitors should access the school via the pavements to the main school office. Staff can enter using their key fob.

When entering/leaving the car park, drivers should be aware that pedestrians may be crossing the car park access road.

6. Visitors

The car park is often busy; however visitors should only park in available bays. Doing so will allow unrestricted movement of other vehicles during the school day or at peak times.

Access into the school is only permitted from the main entrance on Maryville Road. Visitors need to press the security buzzer located by reception and wait for the buzzer to indicate the doors are open. All visitors must report to reception (on the right) and sign in before going anywhere in the school. Visitors may be required to leave a note of their registration number with staff. On departure, visitors should sign out at reception and leave the building by the main entrance door.

If visitors need any advice on access or parking before their visit, please call the school reception on 0151 432 7100.

7. Servicing / Deliveries

Drivers of service vehicles (if they have not been on the site before or obtained instruction in advance) should report to the reception desk in the main building to advise the nature of their visit and get clarification on where they can park. Drivers may be issued with a copy of this plan for reference or simply be advised of the site rules in relation to the area they are parking at the time.

Where the contractor is on site to carry out works by prior arrangement, please call the school reception on 0151 432 7100 in advance to agree the most suitable parking location.

8. Educational Visits

For each educational visit, an individual risk assessment is completed. These assessments identify safe places for the children to be picked up and dropped off.

We aim to use coach companies who are familiar with our location and who can help to advise us on the above.

9. Disabled Access

Disabled access is via the ramp at main front entrance. Both sets of doors are operated by a buzzer.

Parking.

We are awaiting confirmation from the local authority to identify the best place to locate this provision.

If visitors, staff or pupils require information on access or any other considerations, they should contact the school reception in the first instance on 0151 432 7100.

9. Prescott Primary: 'A good neighbour'

The school accepts that parking near the school is not easy. It is important that the school is a good neighbour to local residents. Maryville Road is a main thoroughfare and in constant use during the day. Parents/Carers are encouraged not to park near the school and allow their children to walk the remaining distance if they drop them off further away. However, there is parking at the Prescott Leisure Centre if required, but pupils should be reminded to walk the perimeter of the site and only enter by the dedicated pedestrian access points on Maryville Road.

Parking indiscriminately, such as mounting pavements, double parking, stopping on any yellow lines, obstructing access points to streets and driveways and parking near junctions causes danger to pupils and other road users. Accidents can arise if views are obstructed or pedestrians have to negotiate between parked vehicles. In addition, the roads can become congested which results in frustration and delays to services and ongoing journeys.

Please act responsibly by parking as far away from the school as possible to keep the pupils at Prescott Primary School, local residents and other road users safe.

10. Management Practices

Key to the on-going monitoring of the plan is the role of school managers and other staff. All staff have a responsibility to make sure that they are acting in such a way as to not compromise the health and safety of themselves or others.

The Site Manager /SLT will endeavour to observe pupils arriving and leaving the school. However situations may arise and this will not always be possible.

Monitoring of compliance against this plan

In addition to the supervision arrangements in place, the head teacher will carry out regular inspections to view practices. These inspections will be recorded on the 'site monitoring form' (see appendix A). These records will be retained for 6 months.

Our aim is to see a reduction in car use and safer and healthier ways to travel to school on a daily basis. Monitoring will help us assess how successful our initiatives will be. Every time a new scheme

is introduced i.e. the 'walking bus', extended services, continual re-monitoring will allow us to evaluate its success and the impact on overall car use.

Where issues arise with vehicular access, taxi/minibus drivers and staffing, these will be dealt with or escalated by the school Office Manager.

Non-compliance

If there are concerns or incidents that constitute non-compliance these will be recorded on the form by those monitoring the site and appropriate action will be taken. This includes possible disciplinary action and reports going to Contractor or Service management, which may result in investigative action. On days where there is no monitoring carried out and there is an instance of non compliance, these should be escalated immediately to the Headteacher who will make a record on the form and take appropriate action.

11. Our School Travel Plan will improve children's health

- Children need the daily exercise that walking or cycling to school can provide.
- Obesity is increasing and is related to inactive lifestyles, our children are amongst the most obese in Europe.
- Regular exercise protects against heart disease, strokes and other related illnesses in later life.
- Sense of wellbeing and achievement through increased independence, responsibility and confidence.
- Reduced traffic fumes can help those with respiratory problems like asthma.
- Research has proven that children learn better when they are prepared by exercise, healthy food and drink.

13. Our School Travel Plan will help us achieve:

- Practical pedestrian and cycle training events
- Information about public transport
- The development of car sharing schemes
- A car-free school entrance
- A code of behaviour for school users
- Travel awareness as part of the curriculum
- The identification of 'Park and Walk' areas
- Preparing the children to use roads and gain some independence
- A better relationship with the community
- Better knowledge and understanding of roads and how to use them
- Ease on congestion at peak time .

The School Travel Plan will enhance the environmental awareness of our school community.

- The School Travel Plan can provide a catalyst for other environmental initiatives.
- The plan can improve the local environment for residents and the school community alike.

We wish to ensure that all avenues are pursued in order to develop a safer environment for our pupils by accessing support and funding. The development of this plan allows us to set long-term targets for the benefit of our pupils

14: Objectives, Initiatives and Targets

Objectives	Initiatives	When	Responsibility
To encourage more walking to and from school.	'Funky Feet Fridays' 'Wheely Wednesdays' National 'Walk to school' weeks.	Spring/Summer Term	Parent Volunteers School, pupils and volunteers
To develop and incorporate pedestrian training into the school safety lessons.	Road Safety Activities Curriculum Work	Straight away Ongoing	Staff, Parents, Healthwise. Knowsley MBC Road Safety Team.
Develop the school grounds to ensure safety.	Improved Safer access points for pedestrians Footpath improvements Lighting improvements	Ongoing	KMBC
Share the travel plan with the school community	Newsletters Twitter Website Assemblies Minutes of meetings	Ongoing	SLT

16. Consultation and data collection.

Meetings of the above committee will be held at regular intervals. Once our plan has been fully adopted, meetings will be once per term. This will be monitored and re-organised if and when necessary.

Consultation with the Local Authority has been on-going for many years.

Governors and parents will assist with the launch of a number of initiatives. The pupils will take part through curriculum work and this will be used to promote the plan within the school.

Sources of Information:

Data Collection Surveys
Parents Questionnaires

A parent questionnaire will be sent out on a regular basis.

17, Park and Walk Scheme

A Park and Walk Scheme is in place at Prescott Leisure Centre Warrington Road. The route has been safety checked.

21. Internal Promotion

Staff meetings and assemblies will be used to keep the whole school informed of the progress of the plan.

The content will identify the environmental education that has taken place and what is planned for the future.

Year 1 pupils are involved in practical pedestrian assessment in the summer term each year. Road Safety Officers trained two classroom assistants to take children out to the road-side to assess their pedestrian skills. All children received permission from their parents to attend such assessment. Pupils in other year groups are also involved in road safety workshops throughout the year.

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