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### **Mission**

Our values-based school nurtures curiosity and creativity through an inspiring, broad and engaging curriculum, where learning is at the heart of all that we do. Our children learn to become resilient and self-assured in an environment where safety is outstanding. Everyone is challenged and encouraged to thrive and achieve as individuals, preparing them for their role as caring and active citizens in modern Britain.

### **Vision statement**

“Everyone is a learner and every experience is a learning opportunity.”

## **1. Introduction**

We actively encourage our pupils and staff to walk, scoot or cycle to school as they:

- keep us fit and healthy
- help our pupils 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. Rationale**

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 noticeboard, displays, newsletter and website at [www.maybury.surrey.sch.uk](http://www.maybury.surrey.sch.uk)

We encourage all members of our school community to walk, ride or scoot to school wherever possible.

We are committed to improving our children’s understanding of the importance of safe travel to school

### **3. Aims and objectives**

By the end of this year, our aims are to provide:

- Scooter training
- Pedestrian training
- Increase the number of children walking, scooting and riding to school.
- Increase children road safety awareness

Local school trips are made 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

### **4. Parents Role**

We encourage parents to support the school and their children by encourage their child(ren) to walk, scoot or cycle to school whenever possible. We ask parents to:

- Ensure child(ren) walk or ride sensibly and safely on the way to and from school, and to push bikes and scooters on school grounds
- Ensure that bicycles and scooters are roadworthy and properly maintained. If in doubt consult a qualified mechanic.
- Ensure child(ren) are provided with a cycle helmet.
- Ensure child(ren) can be seen by fitting lights to their bike by supplying them with high-visibility clothing.
- Ensure child(ren) have a lock for their bike or scooter and that they know how to use it.
- Consider appropriate insurance cover for their child(ren)'s bicycle or scooter, 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.

### **5. Pupils Role**

We ask our pupils to:

- Ask their parents if they can walk, scoot or cycle to school .
- Behave in a way that shows that both they and the school are presented in the best light whether walking, scooting, cycling or using public transport .
- Ride or walk courteously, sensibly and safely on the way to and from school .
- Push bikes and scooters on school grounds.

- Check that their bike or scooter is roadworthy and properly maintained
- Ensure they are wearing a cycle helmet
- Make sure they can be seen by using lights in the dark or bad weather and by wearing high-visibility clothing.
- Consider having a lock for your bike or scooter and that you use it.

## 6. Driving to School

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

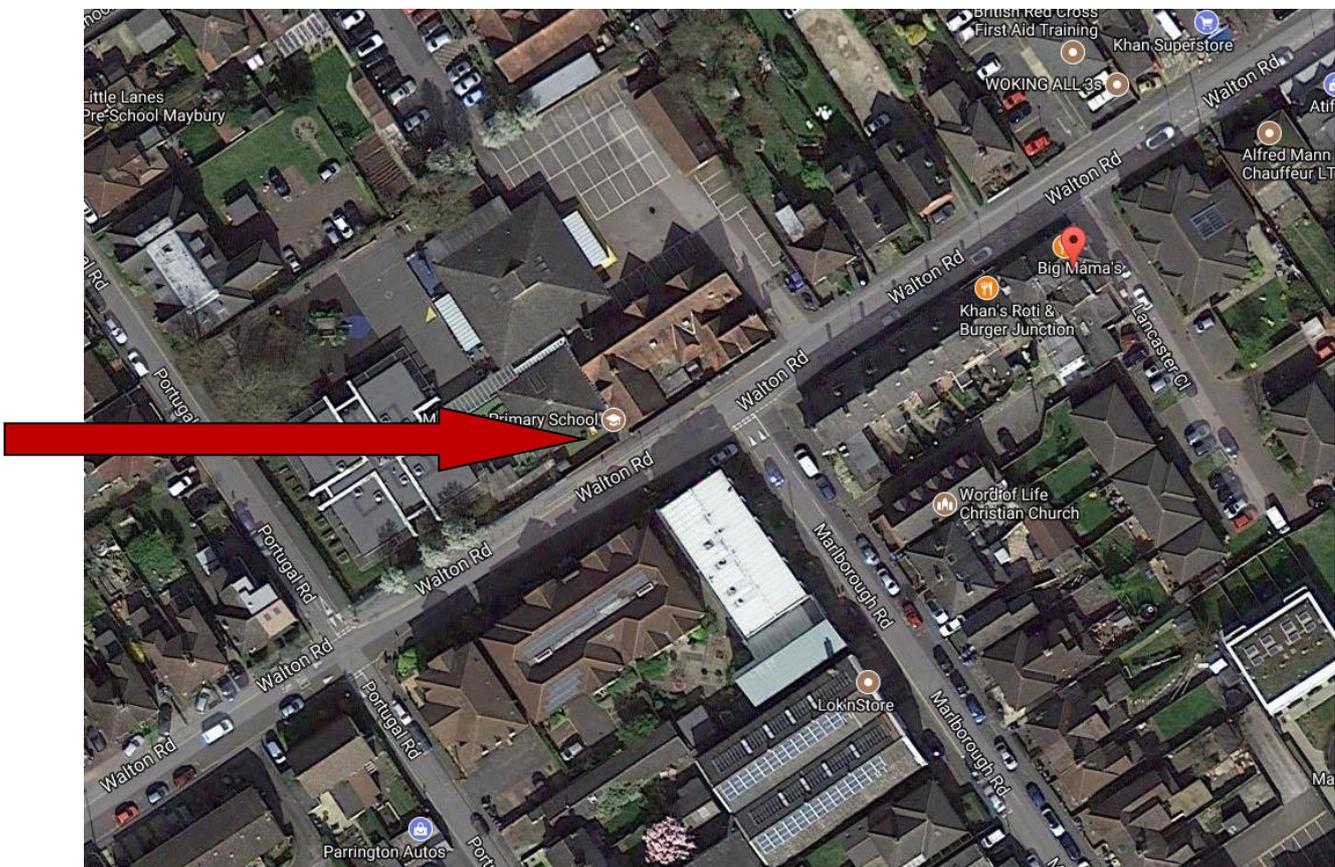
Parents must ensure children travel safely in their car adhering to car seat laws and requirements and wearing a seatbelt at all times.

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 or scooted.

Parents must ensure they park their car in a designated parking bay or space.

Parents must ensure they do not drop children off directly on the main road, they must park and escort children to the pedestrian gate shown on the map below.

Parents must ensure they park 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.**



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

## **7. Monitoring and review**

The senior management team is responsible for coordinating and monitoring the implementation of this policy.

It is the responsibility of our Senior Leadership Team to agree and then monitor the School Travel policy.

This policy will be reviewed in two years, or earlier if necessary.