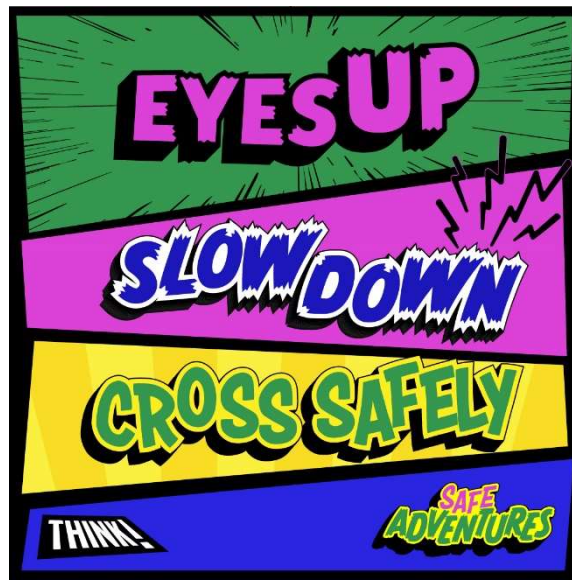


Year 6 Road Safety Parental News

As your child is approaching the end of their time at Primary School and preparing for moving on to Secondary School they are becoming more independent and responsible for their Road Safety. Think! the Governments Road Safety campaigning and education organisation have some useful tips and advice in their 'Eyes Up, Slow down, Cross Safely' campaign.



- 'Eyes Up' reminds children to stay focused near traffic, look right, left and right again before crossing the road and continue looking and listening while they cross. Children should put their phones away, take off headphones and look out for their friends and not distract them.
- 'Slow Down' advises children to take care and don't run across the road when traffic is coming even if they think there is time. It can be difficult to judge the speed of traffic. If traffic is coming let it pass.
- 'Cross Safely' reminds children to always find a safe place to cross, use a pedestrian crossing if there is one and choose a place where they can see clearly in all directions. Crossing between parked vehicles can be hazardous

and should be avoided where possible. But when they need to, use the outside edge of the vehicles as if they were the kerb, stop there and check for traffic looking right, left and right again before entering the road. Check the vehicles are not about to move off, look for drivers in the cars, lights and listen for engines running. When getting off the bus, wait for the bus to leave so they have a clear view and can be seen by other road users.

- Parents can plan and practice the journey with their children, act as a role model and have a conversation about Road safety as a preparation for moving on to Secondary School.

For further information the links below may be useful.

[THINK! – Road safety](#)

[Advice for parents and families | Brake](#)

[Teaching Road Safety: A Guide for Parents \(rospa.com\)](#)

[Teaching children about road safety - RoSPA](#)

[Road Safety For Children | Child Accident Prevention Trust \(capt.org.uk\)](#)

[The Highway Code - Guidance - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)

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