



## Active Travel Plan

We actively encourage our pupils and staff to walk, scoot or cycle to school. There are many benefits of active travel:

- Keeps us fit and healthy, both mentally and physically
- Develops road safety skills which will keep them safe as they travel further
- Reduces congestion and noise in the community
- Improves air quality around nursery. Improved air quality benefits the whole community when more children walk.
- Develops life skills

In order to ensure as many pupils as possible are given the opportunity to realise these benefits, we each have an important role to play:

### What we will do at Little Foxes

We will encourage all members of our school community (pupils, parents and staff) to travel to and from school more actively by:

- Using Modeshift STARS to update and monitor our travel plan
- Promoting the benefits of active travel by using our noticeboard, displays, the newsletter and website.
- Celebrating the achievements of those who travel actively to nursery
- Raising awareness of the air quality benefits of active travel
- Providing cycle and scooter storage
- Providing scooter training to all pupils who wish to participate
- Working with Bristol City Council school travel and road safety officers to deliver interventions and activities that promote active, safe and responsible travel to nursery
- Providing public transport information
- Establishing easier drop/off and pick/up zones within a 5-10 minute walk of the nursery
- Letting all new pupils and their parents/carers know that we promote healthy and sustainable travel before the child starts at our nursery.

### What we ask of parents

- Please encourage your child(ren) to walk, scoot or cycle to school whenever possible. Please note that the decision on whether a child is competent to cycle or scoot to nursery is for the parent(s) or carer(s) to make.

- Ensure your child(ren) walks or rides sensibly and safely on the way to and from nursery
- Ensure that bicycles and scooters are roadworthy and properly maintained - if in doubt consult a qualified mechanic
- Please ensure your child(ren) with a cycle helmet when using a bike or scooter
- Ensure your child(ren) can be seen by fitting lights to their bike and by supplying them with high-visibility clothing
- Ensure you have appropriate insurance cover for your child(ren)'s bicycle or scooter 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 nursery
- If you travel by bus, can you get off the bus at least two stops early and walk the last part of the journey?

We understand that sometimes there is no alternative to driving to Nursery. Where a car must be used, we ask parents to drive only part of the way, and drop their child(ren) off away from nursery so that some of the journey can be walked or scooted. We have a park and stride site opposite the Hub in Lockleaze and next to Boston tea party in Cheswick village. Parents wishing to access these carparks please ask for a park and stride window display. See the map below:

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 or across residential driveways for any period of time.** It is also not legal to park in the bus stop even if you are a blue badge holder.

### **What we ask of pupils**

- Ask your parents if you can walk, scoot or cycle to school
- Ride or walk courteously, sensibly and safely on the way to and from nursery
- 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