



# Oughton Primary and Nursery School

## Travel Newsletter

Autumn Term 2018 Newsletter

Dear Parents,

We are pleased to announce that we have now gained our Bronze Modeshift Stars Award. This is an award given to recognise the efforts we have been making to encourage active and safer travel within our school. We would like to thank all of the parents and pupils who have helped to gain this status.

In particular, the School Council last year (photographed right) worked hard to think of and implement many new ideas.



### Our continued aims

This year, we intend to continue our Travel Plan Project and hope to work towards our Silver Modeshift Stars award,



Our aims are as follows:

- To educate pupils in road safety skills
- To encourage safe and considerate use of the school grounds and surrounding area
- To develop more sustainable and less polluting methods of travel
- To get children and families more active

Don't forget we have a scooter shed for safe storage of scooters and bike racks available!

Why not encourage your child to take a more active journey to school to boost their health?

Save on fuel too!



You can also take part in Park and Stride—park at the Westmill Community Centre and walk the rest of the way to school.

### Our School's Actions

During the last academic year, we began a number of initiatives which contributed towards our Bronze award. We will continue to run these again this year:

- EYFS Road Safety workshop to teach about crossing roads and how to stay safe
- Y2/3 Scooter Workshop—learning how to gain control of the scooter, stop safely and understand risks
- Y6 phone distractions workshop—learning about how to stay safe using a mobile and the dangers of becoming distracted
- Park and Stride—park at the Westmill Community Centre and walk the rest of the way to school
- Walk to School Week in May
- Clean Air Day in June
- Regular Road safety assemblies
- Keeping parents, pupils and the community informed through our travel newsletters and website updates



### Junior Travel Ambassadors

A new initiative for this year is the Junior Travel Ambassadors Program. This scheme supports and encourages Year 5 pupils to take responsibility for Active and Safe Travel. This term, a representative from the County Council will be visiting Year 5 to explain the position and the children will all be given the opportunity to apply for the role. The successful pupils will play a key role in our School Travel Plan, maintaining a travel notice board, delivering assemblies and running competitions.



Do you have any comments or ideas regarding safer and sustainable travel?

Please get in touch with Mrs Carroll and share your views

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**Active children = healthy children**  
**Walk, cycle or scoot to school!**