

Keeping Children Safe Near The Road & At The School Crossing

After hearing today of a pedestrian being hurt by a car locally, I thought I'd ask parents/guardians to please read the following to keep children as safe as possible at all times as the roads are becoming increasingly busier:

Please hold young children's hands and ensure your child **WALKS** across the road at the safest point where the Crossing Patrol operates. **Most children under the age of 7 are NOT aware of the dangers of the road.** Please keep young children by your side when exiting the school gate. **THINK!** Can I reach my child quicker than a car can?

Electric Cars - These vehicles are increasing in numbers and are so quiet that it is vital for the younger generation to be extra cautious and ensure nothing is coming before stepping in to the road.

'KEEP CLEAR' and 'SCHOOL' painted lines - The crossing area where the path is lowered is the safest place to cross the road, but not when there is an obstruction affecting the view. Please refrain from doing a 3-point turn as children are often running up or down the path and are not always seen by vehicles doing this manoeuvre.

Please keep driveways clear of nearby residents - When drives are blocked, traffic jams can occur resulting in children being late and there are a few elderly residents in The Street who need access to their drives at all times.

Parents and guardians remain **responsible** for ensuring the safety of their child/ren. **Please pass this information on to anyone who does the school run for you.**

Thank you for helping me keep your children safe.

THINK SAFETY !