

Kids' manifesto for and healthy journeys

Let's talk about...

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The pupils of

Please write the name of your school

call on

Please write the name of your local authority

to help all children make safe

It is our right to be able to make safe and healthy journeys in our community without fear of traffic and pollution. More than two-thirds (68%) of parents and carers would like their children to walk, cycle or wheel to school more. Top reasons they don't are because roads are too busy or traffic is too fast. ¹

So, we are calling on you – our local authority – to make all roads around our school 20mph and free from speeding traffic. Danger from traffic prevents us from being able to walk and ride safely and affects our ability to be healthy and socially active. Children of all ages are at risk of being hurt or killed when walking or riding near roads. We need our journeys to be safe.

What do we need to make safe and healthy journeys?

- Slow traffic and clean air to breathe around schools
- Safe places to walk and ride away from traffic
- Safe places to cross roads.

Why is this important?

- Road crashes are the leading cause of death for children and young people worldwide ²
- More than six children are killed or seriously injured on roads every

Listen up grown ups! Here are reasons why you should

- 1 **Slowing down traffic saves lives.** Traffic calming measures to reduce driver speed can prevent accidents and seriously injured on our roads.
- 2 **No one should be hurt on our roads.** No matter how fast we are and however we travel, speeding on our roads is an avoidable tragedy. We need a safe place to stop them. Support your local authority's approach to road safety to protect our children.
- 3 **It's better for everyone if we slow down.** It's better for our physical health and safety. And this means we need support from our local authority, you have the power to make cycling on our roads safer.

In our area, this means we want:

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Who else supports us?