

## School Travel Plan

Cawthorne's Endowed School  
Abbeystead  
Nr Lancaster  
LA2 9BQ  
Lancashire

LCC School No: 01042  
DfES Reference No: 888/3539

### **Introduction**

The pupils, staff and Governors of Cawthorne's Endowed are committed to promoting travel to and from school by safe and sustainable means. We are working hard to both promote the health and social benefits this brings and to work with outside agencies to achieve the targets we have set. The school travel plan will demonstrate:-

- Recognition of the need to reduce car traffic and hazardous parking generated by our school
- A commitment to the local community to improve the local environment.
- The encouragement of alternative modes of travel to the car, to reduce the consumption of fossil fuels, save energy and minimise air pollution.
- A commitment to the safety of children on their journey to and from school.
- A commitment to physical exercise and healthier lifestyles across the school.

Success of the plan will be assessed in the terms of:

- A reduction in the number of car journeys to and from school
- An increase in the proportion of journeys to and from school by health promoting modes, such as walking, cycling and scooting.
- Greater awareness of transport issues and the impact of motor traffic on the environment on the part of pupils, staff, parents and the local community.
- Reduced motor congestion inside and outside school grounds and entrances.
- Undertaking actions identified to keep our children safe and promote healthier lifestyles.

### **School Situation/Layout**

Cawthorne's Endowed is situated in Abbeystead, Over Wyresdale, some 15 miles South of Lancaster. There are presently 27 children on roll and 9 members of staff. This rural school was founded by William Cawthorne in 1674, to provide a free education to the children of the 12 vaccaries in Wyresdale. The school is a single storey stone building built above road level. Access is via steep stone steps at the front of the school and another disabled access built to the side. The B road through Abbeystead is mainly used by local cars, farm machinery and farm supply wagons. Most of our children are from the Parish of Over Wyresdale but some of our children come from a variety of areas, including Torrisholme, Galgate, Dolphinholme and Lancaster City.

Due to the isolated nature of the school and infrequent bus service, many of our pupils are transported by car or the school bus.

### **Issues**

- There is always a lot of traffic coming quickly through the village, especially at the beginning of the school day.
- There is always a lot of large machinery travelling quickly through the village.
- It is often difficult to park outside school at the beginning and end of the school day.

Date questionnaire was done April 2021

Number of students on roll **27**

Number of students taking part in 'Hands-up' survey: **27**

**Current travel choices to school (students)**

	Walk	Cycle	Car Share	Bus/Train	Car/Taxi	Other
Nos.			3		24	
%			11		89	

**Current travel choices from school (students)**

	Walk	Cycle	Car Share	Bus/Train	Car/Taxi	Other
Nos.	1		3		23	
%	3		11		86	

Number of staff **9**

Number of staff questionnaires distributed **9**

Number of staff questionnaire responses received **9**

**Staff travel choices**

	Walk	Cycle	Car Share	Bus/Train	Car/Taxi	Other
Nos.					9	
%					100	

**Objective**

1. To encourage pupils to develop a healthy lifestyle, particularly those who are able to walk to school due to the fact that they live locally to school or those who can be dropped off nearby to school.
2. To reduce congestion at the beginning and end of the school day in particular.

**Targets:**

- To encourage a healthier lifestyle by increasing the percentage of pupils walking to/from school.
- To encourage accompanied cycling.
- To reduce the congestion outside school at the beginning & end of the day school.

**Current School Travel Initiatives:**

- Order and distribute 'Starting School' Posters.
- Order and distribute 'The Journey'(Yr3), 'Stepping Out' (Yr4), 'Way2Go'(Yr6) publications
- Bikeability
- Passport to Safer Cycling Module 1 workbooks
- Produce a road safety banner designed by children
- Walk to School Week (October)
- Roadsense – delivered by Lancashire Fire & Rescue Service
- Regular letters to parents to encourage safer parking in and around school.
- Use resources from Safer Schools Moodle

**Proposed School Initiatives as identified by the Road Safety Team:**

- Right Start Child Pedestrian Training Stage 1, 2 and 3
- Balanceability and Scooter training
- Download and distribute Pindar Walk Zone Maps
- Parking Enforcement requests can be sent to [parking@lancashire.gov.uk](mailto:parking@lancashire.gov.uk) please use the subject heading "School enforcement"
- Report Highway concerns [Report It](#)
- School to download the finalised School Travel Plan to their school website and create a Road Safety section

It is hoped that through the development of our School Travel Plan we can bring about a change in home to school travel patterns.

Our school community would like to make a contribution to reducing levels of pollution and congestion, to encourage more pupils and staff to take regular exercise, and to enable pupils to develop appropriate road safety skills.

Signed:

Headteacher/ Travel Plan Co-ordinator

Date

Chair of Governors

Date

Audit conducted: June 2020 by the Road Safety Team

**Amended School Travel Plan – sent to school on 21st April 2021 by the Road Safety Team**