

Time for Road Safety



**Lincolnshire
Road
Safety
Partnership**

The newsletter from the LRSP Education Team

Term 3 20/21 - Secondary schools Car Safety

Happy New Year

When pupils return to school again after lockdown, parents and older students may need a polite reminder where to park safely near the school.

Seatbelts

Correctly worn seatbelts should be used for every car journey. Vehicles do not need to be travelling very fast to have a collision causing serious injury. If a vehicle stops suddenly, anyone unrestrained will continue to travel forwards instead of being held safely in the seat.

Over a quarter (26%) of car occupants killed on UK's roads in 2018 were not wearing seatbelts (Department for Transport).

Despite the chance of a fine of up to £500, many people are happy to break the law and take the risk.

Remember It is a legal requirement for **all** vehicle occupants to wear seatbelts when they are fitted, both in the front and the back.

[Here](#) is the current advice and legislation on the use of seatbelts and car restraints.



Young drivers

Thorough vehicle checks are more critical in bad and cold weather. Young drivers may be inexperienced driving in adverse weather conditions and will need to plan more time for their journeys, as well as preparing their vehicles. Young drivers at your school may need reminding to leave longer in the morning, enabling them to get to school on time.

In colder weather it is easy to avoid taking time to clear windscreens and windows properly when in a rush. Any amount of snow, ice or condensation can create a blind spot.

The RAC have collated some comprehensive winter driving advice that can be shared with drivers of all ages [here](#).

The education team offer initiatives for key stage 4 drivers and pre-drivers. Contact us to find out more or to make a booking for after lockdown.

The Road Safety Education team

Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership has a team of Road Safety Officers who will provide road safety education to schools when Lincolnshire is in tier 1 or 2.

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