

Time for Road Safety



**Lincolnshire
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Partnership**

The newsletter from the LRSP Education Team

Term 4 – Secondary Schools Schools reopening

Now schools have reopened, we expect to see heavier traffic during school run periods. Due to on-going COVID concerns we expect more parents may choose to take pupils to school themselves instead of using school transport.

Young people will have the opportunity to regain some of their missed independence after many months of being mainly stuck at home. They are likely to want to be out socialising with friends again.

There could be some drivers on the roads who are out of practice so we have put together some tips to keep young people safe.

Road safety for young people

Ways in which we could encourage them to stay safe:

- ✓ Discuss their potential distractions that could be encountered when they are out and about, and how to deal with them.
- ✓ Encourage them to cross the road safely where visibility is good, even if they feel under pressure from others.
- ✓ Suggest that they allow extra time to get to their destination safely so they don't have to rush and take unnecessary risks.



Dangerous Habits

Most young people know how to use the roads safely. However with peer pressure it is easy to become distracted.

- ✗ Becoming distracted by technology, music or friends instead of concentrating on crossing the road safely.
- ✗ Crossing roads on bends or between parked cars where visibility is poor.
- ✗ Rushing across the road without checking that it is safe to cross.
- ✗ Using pedestrian crossings incorrectly or dangerously.
- ✗ Blocking peripheral vision with large hoods.
- ✗ Dressing in dull clothing whilst walking the streets after dark.
- ✗ Cycling in the wrong direction on a cycle path.

The Road Safety Education team

Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership has a team of Road Safety Officers who provide road safety education to schools.

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