Arden Primary School



At Arden Primary School we believe that our children, whatever their needs, deserve a broad and imaginative curriculum that enables them to become independent and resilient learners who develop into respectful citizens of the future with high aspirations.

Vehicle and Pedestrian's Policy

Introduction

This policy promotes the safety and well-being of all pedestrians and vehicle operators within Arden Primary School. It outlines the responsibilities of both parties to create a predictable and respectful shared environment.

General Principles

Shared Responsibility:

- Both pedestrians and vehicle operators share responsibility for safety. Pedestrians must be aware of their surroundings and use designated walkways and crossings. Vehicle operators must yield the right of way to pedestrians in designated areas and travel at safe speeds.
- Segregation: Whenever possible, separate walkways and designated pedestrian areas will be provided to minimize interaction between pedestrians and vehicles.
- Visibility: All areas will be well-maintained to ensure clear visibility for both pedestrians and vehicle operators. This includes proper lighting, signage, and landscaping that doesn't obstruct sightlines.
- Signage and Markings: Clear and consistent signage and pavement markings will be used to designate pedestrian walkways, pedestrian crossings, and vehicle traffic areas.
- Speed Limits: Enforced speed limits will be established based on pedestrian traffic and road design.

Pedestrian Responsibilities

- Use designated walkways and crosswalks whenever possible.
- Obey all pedestrian signals and signage.
- Maintain awareness of surroundings, avoid distractions like mobile phones, and yield to vehicles when necessary.
- Children under 9 must be accompanied by an adult in designated vehicle areas.

Vehicle Operator Responsibilities

- Yield the right of way to pedestrians in designated crossings and at intersections.
- Obey all traffic signs and signals, including speed limits.
- Maintain a safe distance from pedestrians and avoid distractions while driving.
- Use headlights during low-light conditions.
- Be extra cautious when reversing or entering areas with limited visibility.
- Park only in designated areas and avoid obstructing pedestrian walkways.

Bicycle and Scooter Guideline:

- Bicycles and scooters must be secured in designated bike racks.
- Children riding bicycles or scooters are asked to wear helmets.
- Bicycles and scooters should not be ridden on pavements where pedestrian traffic and the road is heavy; they should be walked through congested areas

Reporting and Enforcement

Unsafe behaviour by pedestrians or vehicle operators should be reported to the school office immediately. Violations of this policy may result in warnings or disciplinary action, depending on the severity of the offence.

Conclusion

By following this policy and working together, we can create a safe and respectful environment for everyone using Arden Primary School. Thank you for your cooperation and commitment to safety.

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