

St Mary and St Michael Catholic Primary School



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School Travel Plan

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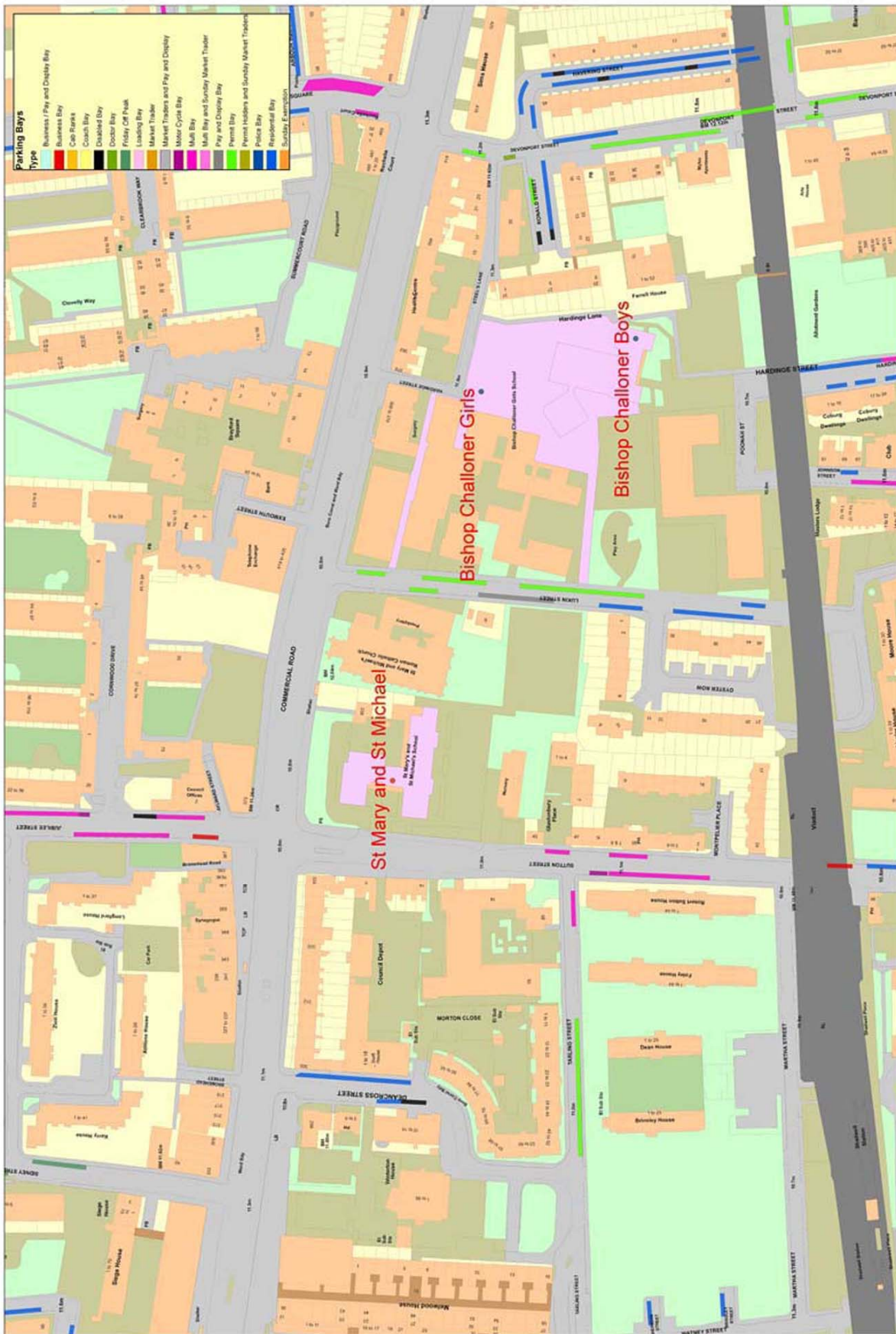
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Map of St Mary and St Michael Catholic Primary School



St Mary and St Michael Primary School and Surrounds Map

Introduction

The School

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St Mary and St Michael is a voluntary aided two form entry Catholic Primary School. The school is situated on the corner of Sutton Street and the busy Commercial Road in the Borough of Tower Hamlets. The pedestrian and vehicle entrances for the school are both situated on Sutton Street.

Access

The pedestrian and vehicle entrances for the school are both situated on Sutton Street. There is a staff parking entrance as you enter Sutton Street. This is for staff parking only. Staff use this entrance to enter and leave the school. Parents use this entrance to access the school reception area, Breakfast Club and to pick up their children from after school clubs. The second entrance is further along Sutton Street. The second entrance is used by our parents to drop off and collect their children before and after the school day. This gate is open from 08:45 and closed once the school day begins at 09:05. The gate is opened again at 15:15 and closed at 15:45.

A Breakfast Club is provided that starts at 08:00 giving a healthy breakfast to pupils for £1.00 a day. Only pupils who join the club can make use of arriving as early as 08:00 at the current time. OOSHL (Out of School Hours Leisure) Clubs operate every evening of the week until 1630. From September 2006 the Junior Youth Services will be able to supervise children at the school until 17:30 whether or not they participate in the clubs. This will enable much greater flexibility for parents to pick their children up in the afternoon. We would like to extend this in the mornings so that all children could arrive from 08:00 regardless of whether they join the Breakfast Club, but this will depend on funding.

Transport links

The school is well served by public transport. The number 15 and 115 buses stop on Commercial Road about a minutes walk from the school. The 339 bus stops outside the school on Sutton Street. The Shadwell D.L.R. and underground stations are within easy walking distance away from the school.

Car parking

There is a staff and visitors parking entrance as you enter Sutton Street comprising of ten spaces. This is easily accessible from Sutton Street. There is a parking area available for parents to use outside the school however there is only enough space for seven cars to park at one time.

Cycle parking

There is no cycle parking area.

Some of the teachers cycle to school and have to lock their bicycles against a fence because there are no secure facilities for them to use.

Students

The school has 230 students, split equally between boys and girls.

There are 69 pupils with SEN needs. A new SEN Co-ordinator starts in September 2006. Travel needs for these pupils will be looked at during 2006-2007.

The school's ethnic and religious data is as follows:

Religion	Numbers
02 Roman Catholic	240
11 Catholic	59
06 Muslim	30
03 Other Christi	21
(blank)	21
01 Church of England	19
09 No religion	10
12 Christian	9
08 Other religion	6
Orthodox	5
04 Hindu	3
99 Unclassified	3
07 Sikh	2
10 Greek Orthodox	1
Seventh Day Adventists	1

White British	174
Ethnicity	Numbers
Other Black African	47
White European	36
Black Caribbean	29
Bangladeshi	18
Mixed White and	18
Any other mixed	16
Indian	15
Other White	15
Any other Asian	13
Any Other Ethnic	13
Any Other Black	11
Vietnamese	5
(blank)	5
White Irish	4
Chinese	3
Information Not	3
Pakistani	3
White Greek	2

Admissions Policy

The following has been taken from the St Mary and St Michael Admissions Policy:

Oversubscription Criteria

The Governors will award places according to the following order of priority:

1. 'Looked After' Catholic children who are in the care of the Local Authority.
2. Baptised Catholic children whose parents/carers are resident in the Parish of St Mary & St Michael.
3. Baptised Catholic children whose parents/carers are not resident in the Parish of St Mary & St Michael but for whom the school is the nearest Catholic school.
4. Baptised Catholic children not included in criteria 1 to 3 above.
5. Baptised children who are members of The Eastern Christian Churches including the Orthodox Churches.
6. 'Looked After' non-Catholic children who are in the care of the Local Authority.
7. Baptised non-Catholic Christian children (as defined by 'Churches Together') whose parents/carers are in sympathy with the aims and ethos of the School and whose application is supported by a Church Minister.
8. Children of non-Christian faiths whose parents/carers are in sympathy with the aims and ethos of the School and can provide evidence of regular practice of their faith.
9. All applicants not included in criteria 1 to 9 above.

In all of the above criteria first priority will be given to children who have a sibling in the Reception Class or in any other Class in Years 1 to 6 at the time of the proposed admission to the school. This does not apply to children whose siblings will no longer be attending the school when they are admitted.

The Governing Body have the authority to prioritise an application within any of the 9 criteria if evidence is provided at the time of application of a special educational or other need that could be met most appropriately by attendance at St Mary and St Michael Catholic School.

Tie Breaker

In the event of there being insufficient places to admit all applicants in any of the criteria detailed above, places will be offered to those children whose parents/carers' residential address is the shortest distance from the main gates of St Mary and St Michael school when measured in a straight line.

Applicants should note that a child's attendance in the School's Nursery does not guarantee a place in the Reception Class.

Staff

There is a total of 52 staff of which 21 are teachers.

Travel Issues

We as a school experience a lot of congestion problems along Sutton Street, at the start of the school day from 08:45 and again at the end of the school day from 15:15 onwards. Many parents/guardians are more than happy to double park and leave their vehicles unattended, while dropping their children off. Some parents are even happy to park on a yellow line. Due to these on going problems pedestrians do not have a clear view of the road to enable them to cross Sutton Street safely. Emergency vehicles are obscured when accessing Sutton Street and therefore will not be able to enter the school grounds if required.

Markings and signage around the school are not effective enough and we would like to discuss better signage and markings, and perhaps change of parking and movement restrictions, with the council's Highways Section.

Plans

There is some building work that started in May 2006 to build some new toilets as well as creating smaller rooms for group work. By September 2006 a multi-skills court will be built as well as an adventure playground. The works will not cause any major disruption.

School Ethos

Mission statement

We believe that God loves each one of us and calls us by our name

We recognise the unique dignity and worth of every individual.

We provide learning experiences that nurture the wholeness of the human person and are founded on the Gospel values of love, hope, faith and forgiveness,

We encourage one another to use the gifts we have been given, to the very best we can for ourselves and for others.

Aims

St Mary and St Michael are committed to teach children to be responsible for their actions. We plan to support children, not only cognitively but emotionally, physically and socially.

We aim to provide a travel plan that benefits staff Parents and children enabling them to have a safe journey to and from school.

We aim to encourage parents and pupils to walk to school to help promote a safe and healthy environment.

In both K.S.1 and K.S.2 we provide a broad and balanced curriculum where children explore our local area and ways in which they can improve the environment. Through this children gain an enriched curriculum where they become aware of various environmental and health issues and how these many influence their day lives.

Travel Plan links

At St Mary and St Michael we will link our School Travel Plan into our school curriculum using our W.O.W. campaign. student safety, promoting independence, healthy living and environmental matters.

We will include travel issues in EPR (Educating Personal Relationships). We will link the travel plan across the curriculum from 2006-2007.

We have appointed two Junior Road Safety Officers and are currently working towards becoming a Healthy School.

What is already in place?

- Walk on Wednesdays – Encourage children to walk to school
- Walk to school Weeks – Emphasises the effectiveness of walking to school
- Cycling Proficiency Programme – Relaying safety issues regarding cycling to school, encourages children to cycle to school
- Parent Travel Meetings – allows parent to be involved in Travel Plan and give any suggestions towards it
- Road Safety Awareness – EPR programme – lessons being taught on this topic
- Travel Plan Board – maps being given to children and parents which create awareness of programme
- Healthy Display Boards – help educate children on importance of staying and being healthy
- Breakfast Club – allows parents who work early to be assured that their children received a fully nutritional breakfast every morning.

Policies and Objectives

Our School Travel Strategy

We aim to remove the barriers, both perceived and actual, to walking, cycling and using public transport for school journeys by continuing or W.O.W. programme and slowly increase the number of days that the children use this programme. We will also provide information to allow school communities to understand the benefits of active, sustainable transport and to use this information to inform how they choose to travel. To increase the number of young people and adults choosing "Active travel" options over that of the car we have begun the Cycling Proficiency Programme where children will gain the necessary requirements needed to become aware of the safety issues when cycling to school. Hopefully this will eventually significantly reduce the number of car trips on journeys to and from school. It is important to increase the understanding among whole school communities of the travel options that are available to them by working with the community and devising plans on how to enrich the school travel programme. Outside agencies will also help by advising the school on the requirements needed to improve the current school travel programme. As a school we feel it is vital that constant communication is ongoing with parents whereby parents are allowed to give their thought and opinions on our School Travel Plan. This will be done by having termly travel meetings, regular newsletters, surveys, various suggestion boxes and a travel information board which will be regularly updates.

Baseline Information

Hands Up Survey of mode of travel

This survey was completed in November 2005. A small sample is represented due to difficulty in getting useful results from Nursery and Reception children, who comprised 128 of our pupils. From the remaining pupils, 87% responded to the survey. From September 2006 surveys will take place termly and cover the entire school; results for Reception and Nursery children will be taken from parents as the drop off and collect their children from school.

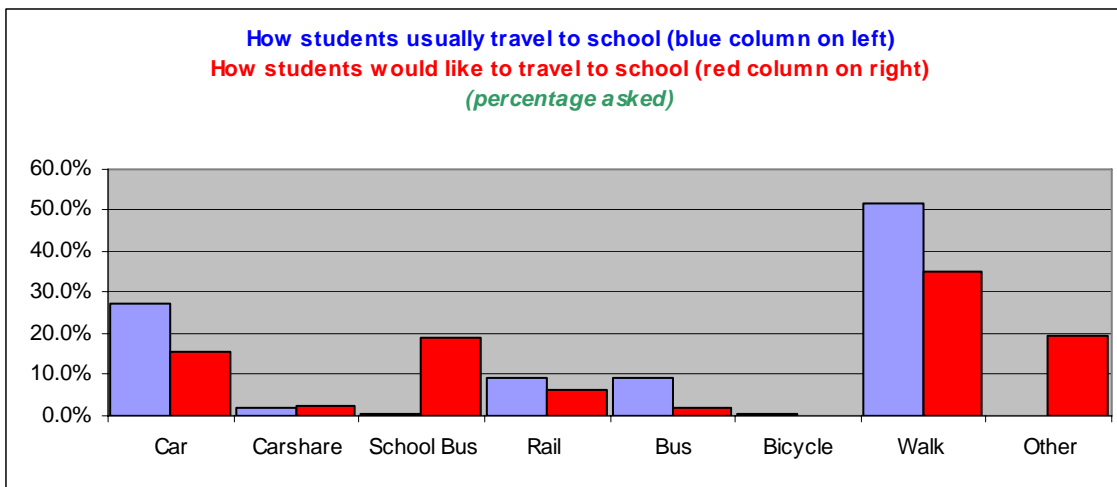
However, this survey shows that 27% of our children come to school in the car, although less than half that percentage – 12.5% only show a preference for car travel; although with one child currently coming in by School Bus, 41 pupils show a preference to be brought in by School Bus. With active travel the obvious concern is that although 51% of pupils currently walk, even less – 29% - would walk as their preferred mode of travel. With St Mary and St Michael going for Healthy Schools status, there is a lot of work to be done in encouraging healthy, active travel to and from school, which would lead to generally more walking and cycling outside school hours.

Although one child cycles in at present, it is surprising that not a single child expressed a preference for cycling to school. However, since the survey was done, we have introduced a great deal of cycle training and awareness, and started participating in Walk to School events and Walk on Wednesday. Children have since expressed whether they can cycle to school. We would expect a quite different set of results, especially for 'preferred mode of travel' in future surveys.

Travel Mode Survey Results - November 2005

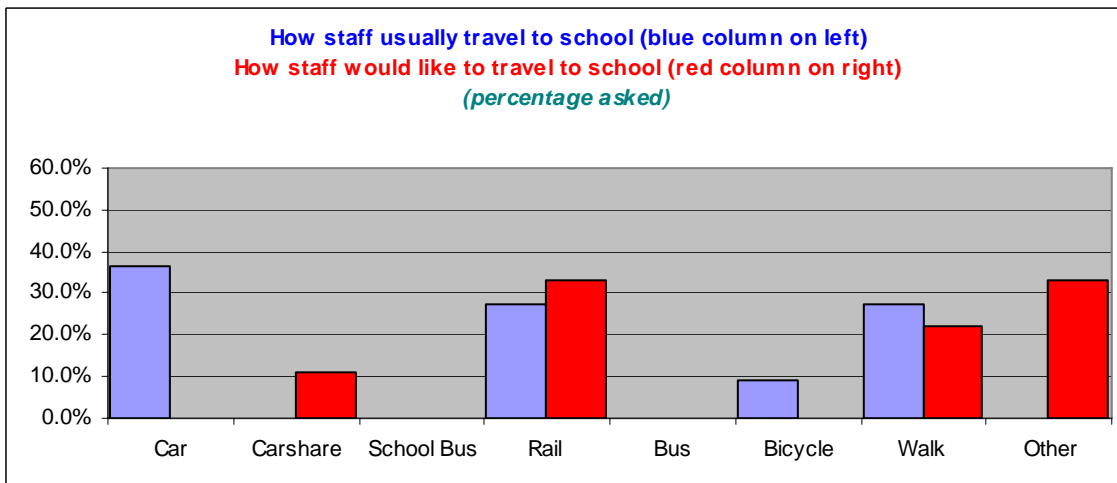
How **students** usually travel, and would like to travel, to school

Mode	Usually travel	Percentage	Like to travel	Percentage
Car	72	27.5%	33	15.4%
Carshare	5	1.9%	5	2.3%
School Bus	1	0.4%	41	19.2%
Rail	24	9.2%	14	6.5%
Bus	24	9.2%	4	1.9%
Bicycle	1	0.4%	0	0.0%
Walk	135	51.5%	75	35.0%
Other	0	0.0%	42	19.6%
Total	262	100.0%	214	100.0%



How **staff** usually travel, and would like to travel, to school

Mode	Usually travel	Percentage	Like to travel	Percentage
Car	8	36.4%	0	0.0%
Carshare	0	0.0%	1	11.1%
School Bus	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Rail	6	27.3%	3	33.3%
Bus	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Bicycle	2	9.1%	0	0.0%
Walk	6	27.3%	2	22.2%
Other	0	0.0%	3	33.3%
Total	22	100.0%	9	100.0%



Evidence of Consultation and Involvement

Focus Groups

We have focused on children, parents and teachers. Children were consulted through the School Council, and there are regular School Council meetings every fortnight. From September 2006 there will be specific projects for the School Council to work with their year groups in relation to the Travel Plan.

We have also had travel meetings with parents whereby parents are able to voice their opinions on various aspects of the travel programme.

Staff and Parents Meetings

Travel plan meetings have taken place over the course of the year. Various aspects have been discussed in these meetings and different issues have been raised. Some of the following points were mentioned in the meetings:

- road safety
- introducing Junior Road Safety Officers (JRSOs)
- parking problems / concerns including double parking
- parents parking on yellow lines
- cycling to school
- walking to school
- introducing a walking bus programme
- ways of communication between parents and teachers
- safety on buses (Secondary School children's behaviour)
- train and bus timetables

Staff and Parental Questionnaires

Staff and parental questionnaires have been sent out. We have handed out various questionnaires for children, parents and teachers. A children's questionnaire was sent out via the School Council in March 2006, but only three questionnaires were returned. Since that time the Healthy Schools Co-Ordinator has taken over the School Travel Plan, and further larger sample questionnaires will be done from September 2006 onwards. The council's STA will be able to provide an online questionnaire for children so that it can be done in or out of school hours, and help with part of the ICT curriculum.

The Parents Questionnaire is attached at the back of this document.

School Travel Forum

The following meetings will be taking place in the future:

School Council meetings – fortnightly - The Healthy School Coordinator will ensure the School Travel Plan will be placed onto the agenda to be discussed. They will then relay the information to their classes and report back on their findings.

Parent Travel Meetings – one every half term

Staff Meetings – according to agenda of meetings

Senior Management Meetings – travel plan will be discussed once every half term

Healthy Schools Team Meeting – fortnightly

Travel Advisor Meetings – once every half term

Curriculum Projects, Class Discussions and Assemblies

Curriculum Projects – children have analysed data from the walk to school weeks. They have drawn various graphs to represent their findings. They have been involved in competitions where they have had to create various posters about various topics in the school travel plan.

Class Discussions – In EPR lessons teachers have had various class discussions on topics such as road safety awareness, healthy living and encouraging a healthy environment.

Assemblies – Various class assemblies have been held whereby children emphasise the importance of being safe on the roads and whilst travelling to school. Issues such as healthy living and exercised have been focussed on to encourage the walk to school programme.

School Governors

Governors have supported the school's travel plan, they have held various meetings discussing ways forward to improve congested areas of traffic outside the school premises. These are ongoing. Governors fully support the walk to school campaign which has begun at the school. They are very pleased with the school's progress towards a healthy school environment.

Any other consultation

- Police Community Officer – showed the children a video of the local area where they asked the public how safe they feel in the local area and what the area has to offer for people living in the Borough of Tower Hamlets. They then discussed various ways of travelling to school, the importance of safety, various ways of reporting incidents and what to do if involved in incidents.
- School Travel Advisor – consults the Healthy Schools Coordinator on areas of need and development and holds regular travel meetings where parents are able to come and discuss any problems or solutions arising regarding the travel plan
- Healthy Schools Coordinator – relays any information to staff, pupils and parents. Oversees smooth the running of the Travel Plan.
- Cycling Proficiency Team – provide a training course where children obtain a certificate which certifies children to safely cycle to school.

Project partners

- School governing body
- All school staff
- Pupils including the school council
- Parents including the parents association
- London Borough of Tower Hamlets
- Community Police
- Safer Neighbourhoods Team (SNT) - Shadwell: 020 8649 3524
- Healthy Schools Group
- School Travel Advisor

Evidence Portfolio

- Notice boards are set up around the school and outside for parents to provide any information and evidence of the current Travel Plan

Identification of issues

Problem areas on the school journey

According to the questionnaires and surveys the following difficulties have been highlighted :

- pedestrian lights phasing is too short to allow for parents and children to safely cross the major roads surrounding the school
- better crossing point needed on Sutton Street as the traffic is very busy
- parents are double parking outside the school
- poor traffic enforcement
- cycle routes are not clearly visible and children are not aware of their location
- bad behaviour from secondary school children on local buses
- parents and pupils unaware of various public transport routes

Issues and Difficulties

The major difficulties arising are mentioned above. The priority for this year's travel plan is to try to stop parents from double parking outside on Sutton Street as well as illegally parking on the yellow lines. We will try to solve this problem (a) by encouraging more children to walk to school and use other means of transport rather than private transport, and (b) through reminding drivers of their duty to adhere to legal, safe and responsible driving and parking, better, and more, enforcement by traffic wardens and police, and better road signage and markings. We will also be informing parents of the various, safer methods of getting their children to school.

Initiatives

What additional measures could be considered?

A number of additional measures could be implemented to enable the project to meet its stated objectives. These could include:

- School crossing patrol
- Walking incentive scheme
- School travel newsletters/notice board
- Drivers code of practice
- Induction talks for new parents
- Other training schemes
- Enforcement by council of lines outside school
- Distributing leaflets to school community (mixed languages)
- Expanding the EPR curriculum to encourage walking/cycling to school
- Involvement in cycle training as offered by LEA

Implementing these additional measures we aim to create a safer environment for the children of our school and help to reassure parents of the safety of their children. These help to improve and develop the travel plan.

Implementation

The benefits of a successful Safer Routes to School Project include:

- Developing lifelong and sustainable travel habits
- Creating a safer environment for the school community and the local community
- Reducing congestion in the areas around the school site;
- Reducing pollution and improving air quality in the local area
- Increasing independence, self-esteem, health and fitness of the pupils
- Improving access to facilities and promoting inclusion for all local people
- Improve standard of driving among parents and staff

Objectives

- Reduce car usage
- Improve driving standards
- increase numbers walking or cycling
- develop road safety training and travel awareness programme
- aim to make the streets and pathways safer by engineering measures
- provide secure cycle parking

Targets

- Reduce car usage from 29% to 25% by July 2007
- Improve driving standards by measuring parents' Highway Code and law knowledge through a yearly quiz [first to be distributed to all parent drivers in Autumn Term 2006, with follow up for the same parents in Summer 2007 to be able to review change in the first Annual Review of this STP]; also by visual recording of bad driving and parking qualitatively at start and finish times
- To eradicate illegal and double parking by parents in Sutton Street by April 2007
- increase numbers walking from 51% to 55% by July 2007
- increase numbers cycling from 1 child to 5 by December 2006; and from 1 child to 10 children by July 2007
- have developed a road safety training and an travel awareness programme by 10 November 2006 [in liaison with Angela Smith (Road Safety Officer) and Davinia van der Sar (Travel Awareness Officer)]
- have an implementation date for engineering measures by 16 December 2006 (date given by Council)
- provide secure cycle parking for 20 bikes by December 2007

Monitoring and Evaluation

How will it be monitored?

Hands Up Travel Mode Surveys will be done at the beginning of every term.

The plan will be reviewed in June 2007 and June 2008.

It will be completely rewritten in July 2009.

Ryan Arde will be responsible for ensuring the surveys are done and the review is carried out.

The review will consider pupil travel needs in response to changing conditions re new developments in education and transport provision, especially through Ofsted recommendations and Every Child Matters.

Feedback

The action plan in this STP will be included in the SDP.

Governors will be informed of Travel Plan progress after each Travel Group Meeting each term.

We will keep an evidence portfolio of all travel activities and comments etc.

Sign off and final approval

This plan has been developed in liaison with the council STA. It will be signed off by the Headteacher and Chair of Governors before passing to the STA for further approval by the Head of Street Management and the Director of Children's Services. It will then be passed for final approval by TfL on behalf of the DfES and DfT.

Action Plan

Objective	Action	Time scale	Resources	People Responsible Internal	People Responsible External	Cost	Success Criteria
Develop and monitor STP	Travel group initial meeting	September 2006		Travel group			Confirm date meeting was held
Inform	Introduce travel plan to staff and governors	September/October 2006	Governing body meeting Staff meeting	Head			Confirm dates when STP was introduced
Consultation	School council to discuss and gather ideas	October 2006	School council meeting/assembly	Linda Rigg			Confirm date of meeting
Improve cycling	Cycle rack/shed	September 2006	Discussion assembly, purchase and install, publicity for parents	Tracy MacDonald	Ashraf Ali 020 7364 6707	£5000	Confirm date shed installed
Maintain high level of Road safety training	Curriculum Work E.P.R	Autumn 2006 following into Spring term 2007	Road Safety Policy	Mr Arde Head Teacher	John Rymell		Improved road safety knowledge Parents feel more confident on allowing children to walk to school. Cycling to school
Improve driving standards	Driver awareness	January 2007	Identify all regular school run parents and distribute Safe Driving to School leaflets	Head Home school worker	John Rymell 020 7364 6918		Number of leaflets distributed
Develop and monitor STP	Travel group meeting	January 2007		Travel group			Confirm date meeting was held
Increase number of children cycling / improve travel awareness	Cycle training	September 2006	Organise sessions for Y5/6 pupils as an after school activity – interested parents to attend	Tracy Macdonald/ Mr Arde	Ashraf Ali 0207 364 6707 Mark Burton 0207 536 2930	£200 payment for out of school hours supervisor	Number of students trained
Develop and monitor STP	Travel group meeting	April 2007		Travel group			
Baseline	Travel Mode Survey (paper)	First week every term	To ascertain if changes in behaviour have occurred Reception and Nursery surveys to be done with parents using special survey sheet provided by Council	Mr Gounder			Survey results
Consultation	Attitudinal questionnaire (online)	October 2006 and May 2007	To ascertain if changes in attitude have occurred Apx 20% Sample of students	Mr Arde Kaye Michelle			Questionnaire results and analysis
Reduces illegal Parking outside on Sutton Street	Children will hand out friendly fines to parents that are illegally parked	Sept-October 2006	Paper Photocopier	Mrs Bunn	John Rymell		For parents to understand that they are breaking the rules of the road. Reduce traffic congestion.

Objective	Action	Time scale	Resources	People Responsible Internal	People Responsible External	Cost	Success Criteria
Walk to School Week/Month	Children will participate in a walk to school week	October 2006	Banners Tally charts Step-o-metres Trophies	Mr Arde Kaye Michelle	John Rymell	Free from LBTH	All children participate and parents consider the possibility of letting their children walk to school every day.
Reduce car usage by parents	Newsletters	Every Friday	Stationery	Mrs Faulkner	John Rymell	£500	Less parents driving to school and more parents walking and using public transport.
Reduce car usage by parents	Open days	Twice a year (dates to be decided by Head Teacher)	Refreshments	Open Day Co-ordinator (appointed after half term Autumn 2006)	John Rymell		Less parents driving to school and more parents walking and using public transport.
Increase walking	WOW	Day after last Wednesday of each month	All resources supplied by Council	Mr Arde Kaye Michelle	Lorraine Hendricks	Free	Less parents driving to school and more parents walking and using public transport.
Develop road safety training and travel awareness programme	Devise and implement travel plan into curriculum	November 2006	Policy for curriculum work; Sustrans curriculum materials; etc	Mr Arde Kaye Michelle	Angela Smith TfL		Less parents driving to school and more parents walking and using public transport.
Reduce car usage by parents	Parent Travel meetings with Council representation	Termly tbd	Tea coffee, venue	Mr Arde Kaye Michelle	Parking Section (John Stewart)		Less parents driving to school and more parents walking and using public transport.
Increase walking	Set up Walking Bus	Beginning of second half of Autumn Term	Videos, leaflets Visible Walking Bus Bibs/clothing Walking Bus Stop Signs	Mr Arde Kaye Michelle	John Rymell, Louise French, London Borough of Bromley (020 8313 4546)	Free	Parents drop off and collect their children from the Walking Bus Stops. Children walk safely to and from school in an adult supervised Walking Bus. Reduce the number of parents driving to school.
Introduce School Crossing Patrol Officer (lollipop person) on Sutton Street	Recruit SCPO	September 2006	Provided by Council	Mrs Bunn	Donovan Thomas	Provided by Council	Cars stopping for children to cross safely onto the school premises. Observations done by school Travel Team

Objective	Action	Time scale	Resources	People Responsible Internal	People Responsible External	Cost	Success Criteria
Travel awareness among parents and children	Regular leaflets and information	Half-termly near start of term	Maps Public transport timetables Healthy booklets	Mrs Bunn Geography Co-ordinator	John Rymell TfL	£200 + much supplied for free by Council and other organisations	More parents becoming aware of the benefits of public transport. Surveys Travel Meetings
Aim to make the streets and pathways safer by engineering measures	Meet with LBTH Council Road Safety to do survey of roads with school members	1 December 2006	None	Mr Arde	Richard Baxter	None	Meeting held
Improve driving standards	Safer Neighbourhood Team liaison and police presence	Start liaison September 2006	None	Mr Arde	Sgt Philip Gospage 020 8649 3524, 07843065870	None	Regular liaison meetings scheduled
Travel awareness among children	TfL' Safety and Citizenship' travel awareness programme	Tba by TfL 2006-2007	None	Mr Arde	Sonia Bruce, 020 7565 7303	Free	Programme delivered

Parents Questionnaire

St Mary and St Michael Catholic Primary School Travel Questionnaire.

(Please answer all the following questions. The information you give will be treated as confidential and only overall results will be published – you will not be identified in any way.)

1. Please give your full name.

2. What is your full home postcode?

3. How many of your children go to St Mary and St Michael?

4. How many of your children go to other nursery or primary schools? (If none, write 0)

5. How many of your children go to secondary schools? (If none, write 0)

6. How do you usually bring your children to St Mary and St Michaels?
(Tick only one)

- Car
- Car share
- Park and Walk
- School Bus or Taxi (Provided by Council)

- Rain
- Bus
- Bicycle
- Walk all the way

Other

7. Why do you travel this way?

- Always done it this way
- Easier or more convenient
- Quicker
- Safer
- Healthier

- Better for the environment
- To familiarise my children with the streets
- To make my children more confident on the streets
- Don't know

Other

8. If you were able to, and had the time to do so, how would you prefer to bring your children to St Mary and St Michaels.
(Tick only one again)

- Car
- Car share
- Park and Walk
- School Bus or Taxi(Provided by Council)

- Rain
- Bus
- Bicycle
- Walk all the way

Other

9. How many cars are there in your house hold?

- None 1 2 3 or more

10. For Car users only

Which of the following stops you from using public transport? (Tick all you agree with)

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Laziness/too unfit | <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know what services are available |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Weather | <input type="checkbox"/> Don't understand the fare system |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Children can't walk fast enough | <input type="checkbox"/> Cost |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Too much to carry | <input type="checkbox"/> Unreliable |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Never use public transport | <input type="checkbox"/> Overcrowding |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know bus and train times | <input type="checkbox"/> Terrorism |

Other

11. Would you be happy for your children to use a Walking Bus? (A Walking Bus is when children walk, supervised by adults, along a particular route to a timetable just like a normal bus. The walking Bus stops to pick up children at Walking Bus Stops.)

- Yes No

a. Would you like to be a volunteer, if this system was in place?

- Yes No

12. Would you let your children cycle to school?

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cycling by themselves | <input type="checkbox"/> In a child seat on your bike |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cycling with you | <input type="checkbox"/> No |

12.1 If you answered NO is it because you worry about the following?
(Give up to three most important reasons numbered 1,2 and 3)

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> There is too much traffic | <input type="checkbox"/> There are no cycle lanes or I think they are not suitable |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The traffic is too fast | <input type="checkbox"/> They might be bullied |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I am afraid of having an accident | <input type="checkbox"/> A stranger may approach them |
| <input type="checkbox"/> They have too much to carry | <input type="checkbox"/> They'll get wet when it rains |
| <input type="checkbox"/> There is nowhere safe to leave their bike | <input type="checkbox"/> It is too far to cycle |

Other

13. Do you feel safe crossing the road outside our school in the morning and afternoon?

- Yes No

13.1 What do you think will make crossing the road safer? (Tick as many as you agree with)

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Slower traffic | <input type="checkbox"/> Zebra crossing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Better education on road safety for families | <input type="checkbox"/> School Crossing Patrol Officer (Lollypop lady/man) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Crossing with traffic lights | |

Other

14. Would you walk a little further out of your way to cross safely where there is a School Crossing Patrol Officer (Lollypop lady/man)

- Yes No

Thank you for completing this questionnaire. Yur support in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Please return the completed questionnaire to the reception at St Mary and St Michael Catholic Primary School or to your children's class teacher.

Sign off and formal approval


School signatures

The following signatures confirm the school management have read the contents of this document. By signing this document the school is committing itself to make every effort to resolve problems identified within the enclosed document and implement the actions identified. The school further acknowledges that they have committed to achieving all targets highlighted in their action plan and to the annual review and monitoring of the plan.

 Sue Faulkner 20th July 2006
Headteacher (signature / name / date)

 MICHAEL KULLING 20th July 2006
Chair of Governors (signature / name / date)

 Lauren Sawyer 20/07/06
School Council Representative (signature / name / date)

 S. WILLMOTT 20/7/06
Parent Governor (signature / name / date)

Council signatures

The following signatures confirm that the document has been Quality and Assessment checked by representatives from The London Borough of Tower Hamlets.

 JOHN RYMELL 9/10/06
School Travel Plan Adviser (signature / name / date)

Road Safety Officer (signature / name / date)

 JOHN ARMIT 11-10-06
Head of Street Management (signature / name / date)

 KEVAN COLLINS 13/10/06
Director of Children's Services (signature / name / date)