

# HACTON TRAVEL NOTICEBOARD

Hacton Primary School's Travel Noticeboard helps keep pupils, staff, parents/carers and visitors up to date with all our travel-related news. We will be promoting upcoming activities and celebrating successful events.

## TfL STARS Gold Level Accreditation



Gold level accreditation 2019

Hacton Primary School is now among the top 10% of London schools, setting high standards to inspire others to transform travel habits, fully engage the wider community to promote best practices, and see a measurable reduction in the number of journeys made by car every day.

## Walk Once a Week

Hacton Primary School takes part the Walk Once a Week initiative. If children travel sustainably (walk, cycle or scoot) once a week for a month, they get rewarded with a badge. It's that easy!

We understand that some of our families live a considerable distance from school but that doesn't mean they can't join in the fun. They could consider 'Park and Stride'. This means they drive most of the way but park a 10 minute walk from school and finish the journey on foot. During the week we encourage active travel to increase awareness of the local environment and ease congestion at our schools gates.

## Cycling and Scooter Parking

Hacton Primary School has scooter and cycle parking to encourage our pupils and colleagues to scoot or cycle to school, rather than drive. This helps reduce congestion and improves road safety and air quality around the school gates. We are in the process of adding an extra scooter/cycle parking shelter.

## Anti-idling Campaign

Hacton Primary School is working with parents/carers to tackle the issue of air pollution. When a car engine is left running for over a minute after stopping or parking, this is known as idling. Idling is common when parents/carers are picking up and dropping off their children and it can increase air pollution around the school gate. Together we would like to help improve air quality around our school. We are encouraging parents/carers who drive, to turn off their engines when they are waiting to drop off or collect their children.

## **ZigZag Line Enforcement**

The zigzag lines are painted on roads outside school entrances to prevent cars from stopping or parking. The enforcement of zigzag lines can help improve our pupils' safety as they come and go, and reduces congestion. As a result, our school benefits from less pollution and better air quality in the local area.

## **Local Events**

### **Bike Security**

Havering is working with local police to protect against bike thieves.

On the first Saturday of the month the police set up a stall in Romford Market and offer free cycle marking/tagging. Getting your bike marked and added to the Bike Register database discourages thieves and enables the police to return recovered stolen bikes. The police can also offer advice on the best way to counter bike theft.

### **Cycling in Havering**

Whether you're a first-time rider or a regular cyclist looking to improve your skills, there are tailored courses to suit your individual abilities and goals. For more information follow visit [https://www.havering.gov.uk/info/20027/travel/124/cycling\\_and\\_walking](https://www.havering.gov.uk/info/20027/travel/124/cycling_and_walking)

### **Cycle Confident for Juniors**

Each year we give our Year 5 children the opportunity to participate in a week long cycle confident course in school.