

Parents/Guardians!

Road Safety guide for school children

Walking to School

- When walking on roads in Ireland, Pedestrians should walk on the Right hand side of the road, facing on-coming traffic
- Know the **'Safe Cross Code'**
- When crossing the road, Always look for a Safe place to cross
- Use Pedestrian crosses where available
- Children under 7 should be supervised by an Adult when crossing the road, as they cannot judge the speed or distance of a vehicle travelling towards them
- To be clearly visible to other road users, Pedestrians should wear suitable light coloured clothing, a Hi Visibility vest, armband or belt

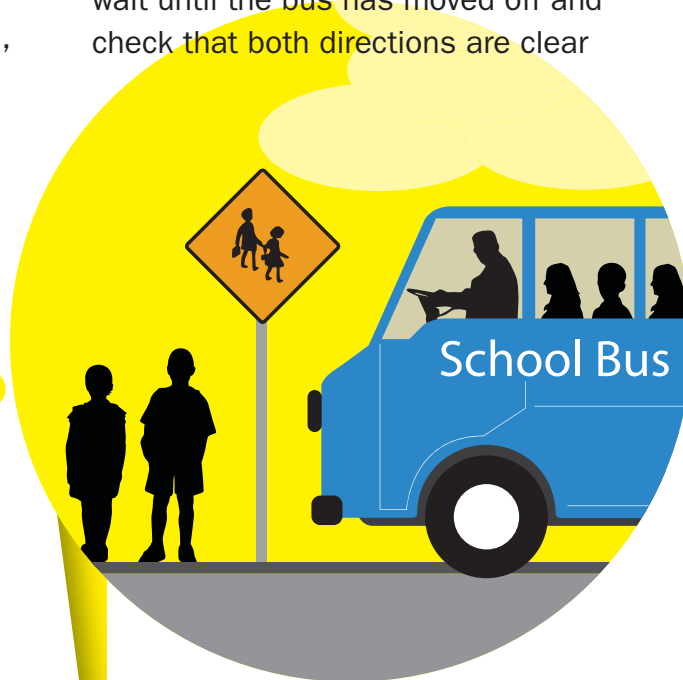
REMEMBER -
Stop! – Look! – Listen!

SAFE CROSS CODE

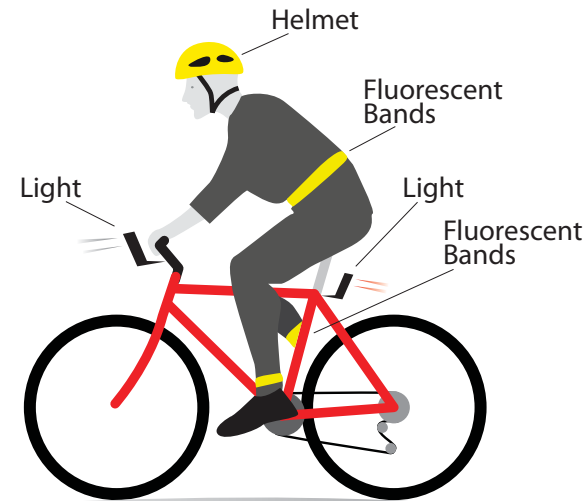
- 1 Look for a safe place to cross
- 2 Don't hurry! Always STOP and WAIT
- 3 LOOK all around before you cross the road
- 4 LISTEN for any traffic
- 5 If traffic is coming, let it pass. Then look around again
- 6 When there is no traffic, walk straight across the road
- 7 Look and listen for traffic while you cross

Travelling by Bus

- Stand well in on grass verge while waiting for a Bus to Stop
- While on a school bus, children should remain seated at all times until their journey is complete
- Where seatbelts are provided on a Bus, **Wear it!**
- School bags should be placed under the seat
- Take special care when getting on or off a Bus
- Before crossing the road, you should wait until the bus has moved off and check that both directions are clear



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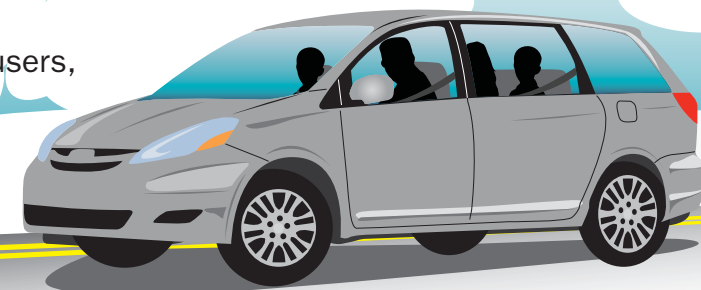
Cycle Safety

- Remember: A Bicycle is a vehicle!
- Cyclist should wear a cycling helmet
- Cyclist must follow the same rules on the road as Motorists
- Cyclists must stop at Stop Signs and at Traffic Light signals showing red
- Footpaths are for Pedestrians – Not Cyclists
- Check that Brakes, Lights, Reflectors, Tyres and Bell are all in good working order
- To be clearly visible to other road users, Cyclist should wear suitable light coloured clothing, a Hi Visibility vest, armband or belt

Travelling in a Vehicle

- Always get in or out of a vehicle using the kerb side door
- Always wear a Seatbelt – Regardless of how short a journey may be
- Store School bags in the boot or on the floor
- Never distract the Driver
- Remain in your seat until the journey has ended

**BE WISE!
BE SAFE!
BE SEEN!**



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