

Newlaithe Infant School Travel Plan

Name of school	Newlaithe Infant School - This travel plan is developed in conjunction with Newlaithe Junior School who share the same site and have previously developed a school travel plan
DfES school reference no.	909/2620
Type of school	Community
Number on roll	184 + 245 – total children sharing the same site 429
Number of staff	21 + 25
Age range of pupils	4-7 & 7-11
School contact details	
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School situation and use	
Description of school locality/catchment area	Newlaithe Infants School is a purpose built Community Infant School. It is situated in a large, well-established housing estate on the western fringes of the city of Carlisle in Cumbria. The catchment area contains a mixture of private and council housing. Some children come from outside the designated area because parents want them to attend our school. It is situated adjacent to Newlaithe Junior School.
Facilities (e.g. playground, car park, sports hall, community centre)	Small car park at front for staff parking for both us and the Junior school. There is a hall used for assemblies and PE and there is a large enclosed playground to the rear with various apparatus for children including an adventure trail and we have a playing field next to this. Also the school has a quiet area, which is used at break times and an outdoor curriculum area outside the two Reception classrooms.
Number of entrances,	There are 2 pedestrian and 2 vehicle (staff use only) entrances.
Core school times	8:50 – 3:15
Other uses (e.g. extra curricular/community access)	We run a variety of after school clubs including 'The Computer Club', Football, Arts and Crafts, and country dancing. The school is also used as a Drop In Centre for the School Health Services. We are also used as a venue for INSET courses, parent courses and we run a variety of PTA fundraising events throughout the year.

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Aims

This Travel Plan specifically aims at:

- reducing car journeys to and from school, and reducing/preventing casualties on these journeys.
- increasing the proportion of school journeys undertaken on foot and cycle, thus contributing to the children's health and personal development.
- improving the safety of pupils, parent/carers staff and governors entering and leaving the school gates.
- reducing the congestion and pollution around the school.

Objectives are linked to Action Plan - section 7

These objectives are linked directly to the Action Plan (section 7).

1. Administration: set up a school travel plan working group.
2. Health: increase travel and health awareness: link travel plan to healthy school initiative.
3. Curriculum: integrate BWTS initiatives into the curriculum, i.e. PE/BWTS Week with cross-curricular links throughout.
4. Communication: include BWTS/safer routes to school news in termly newsletter; include information on school noticeboards.
5. Pollution: reduce congestion and traffic pollution around school.
6. Training: Community PC to provide pedestrian training and basic road safety for pupils
7. Initiatives: start and support a walking bus for After School Club (if successful explore opportunities to establish further walking buses along different routes), identify suitable sites for a Park and Stride scheme, create a safe storage park for cycles and a shelter for pupils, parents and carers in school grounds.
8. Consultation: identify safer routes to school through consultation with pupils, staff, parents, BWTS Advisor, Capita Engineer and Community Police Officer; arrange and train parent volunteers to run a walking bus; discuss setting up a joint walking bus with Newlaites Junior School.
9. Campaigns: take part in WOW, Walk to School week (May) and PE/BWTS week (as mentioned in Objective 3).
10. Promotion: promote school travel plan at assemblies, in School Development Plan, at new parent's events, PTA events, newsletters and school websites.
11. Publicity: record and publicise successes within local community.

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2 Working party - to develop and implement the plan

Name	Position	Responsibility within working party
Judith Aris	BWTS Adviser	Adviser
Michael Craig	Class Teacher	BWTS Co-ordinator
Wendy Nicholls	School Business Manager	
Joan Campbell	Community Governor	
Lisa Marshall	Parent Governor	
Abigail Dawson	BWTS Administrator	
PC Richard Harding	Community Police Officer	
Chris Barnfield	Headteacher Junior School	

How were people consulted? (e.g. working party meetings, surveys of pupils and staff, newsletters)

Questionnaire to all parents.
 Online and hands-up questionnaires with children and staff.
 Article in newsletters.
 Working Party Meetings: 5/10/06, 9/10/06, 12/10/06. and 16/10/2006
 School council meetings.
 Discussions with children about WOW watchdog and roles and responsibilities.
 Site visit Capita Engineer 9/01/07

3 Survey & route plotting carried out

Please attach survey results and analysis from BWTS website and keep a record of survey/route plotting

Baseline Data Survey

How do you travel to and from school?

Year	Date of survey	No. of Pupils	Bus		Car/Van		Car Share		Cycling		Rail		Walk		Other	
			no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%		
2006	20/06/06	132	2	1.5	54	40.9	5	3.75	1	0.75	0	0	68	51.51	2	1.5

Notes

In our own questionnaire to parents we asked them how they would like their child to go to school and 88% of parents would prefer their child to walk. See accompanying summary of findings.
 Baseline survey results were taken from the online survey completed by 2 Year 1 classes and 2 Year 2 classes. This excludes the Reception classes because they did not complete the survey.
 On line/hands up survey – results attached. Sample taken across Year 1 and 2.
 Parent questionnaire (completed in Summer term 2006) and summary attached – very valuable information highlighting parent viewpoints and safety and travel concerns.

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Route Plotting Notes

Suitable routes for a walking bus were discussed at working party meetings – also park and stride points and routes to those areas.

Children walking to and from the local Secondary School also have to cross Langrigg Road

4 Summary of transport and road safety problems

(Current problems on routes to the school, and reasons preventing sustainable travel to school)

- Parents highlighted the lack of safe crossing facilities on Langrigg Road and Dunmail Drive.
- Speed limits are not adhered to.
- Drivers not aware of school in the vicinity
- Parking restrictions are ignored.
- Parent/carers parking at the school gates when dropping off or collecting children.
- Parent/carers using the school drive to either park or turn their cars causing safety issues.

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5 Working party recommendations for action

These recommendations are linked directly to the Action Plan.

1. To receive funding to provide a pupil/parent shelter outside the Year 1 and 2 entrances with safe secure cycle storage and an area for parents to stand when collecting children from school.
2. Improved warning signage along Langrigg Road to ensure that all road users adhere to the speed limit and are aware schools in the vicinity – create a 'school zone'
3. Renew existing yellow zig zag markings for parking restriction outside the school entrances and Langrigg Road.
4. Promote BWTS initiatives within school by setting up and maintaining a Walking Bus and looking at the possibility of the provision of a Park and Stride scheme and running walking campaigns.
5. Educational and promotional activities in both schools.
6. Investigate the possibility of installing a zebra crossing outside the school on Langrigg Road.

6 Targets - specific % targets for modal shift by yearly review date

Year 2006		
Mode of Travel	Baseline Data i.e. original survey %	Target percentage for following year
Bus/taxi	1.5%	1.5%
Car/Van	40.9%	30%
Car Share	3.75%	5%
Cycle	0.75%	15%
Rail	0%	Not practical
Walk	51.51%	60%

7 Action plan.1 Education and training targets (e.g. Primary: pedestrian skills training / Secondary: teenage cycle training)

Measure	Year group	Number	Cost	Date	Action by	Completed? (month / year)	Notes/success criteria
Community Police Officer – Road Safety Training	All	184	Nil	December 2006	PC Richard Harding	Autumn Term 2006	Improve road safety awareness for all pupils and parent/carers. Each year.
Identify Safer Routes to School			Nil	Autumn Term 2006			
CCC Road Safety Officer – Pedestrian Training	All	184	Nil	April 2007	Moragh Slee		Improve Pedestrian Training. Possibly part of BWTS/PE week.
Road Safety Assemblies and presentation of WOW certificates.	All	184	Nil	2006/2007	Jan Massey and Michael Craig		Pupils successfully walked to school each Wednesdays of the school year
Link to Healthy school initiative, i.e. PE week.	All	184	Nil	March 2007	Vicki Boertien and Michael Craig and Wendy Nicholls		Children understand the health benefits of walking to school. Increase the amount of exercise children undertake on a daily basis.
Speed Awareness with Radar Gun	Road Users/Parent Carers	N/A	Nil	January 2007	PC Richard Harding		Positive feedback from parents and drivers.

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7.2 School based engineering targets (e.g. cycle storage)					
Measure	Cost	Date	Action by	Completed? (month / year)	Notes/success criteria
Shelter for Year 1/ Year 2 Parents	£4,800	Summer Term 2007	J Massey & Working Party Mallinsons Fabrications		Providing suitable shelter for parents, carers and pupils. Protections from wind, rain and sunshine. Provision of suitable quote from Mallinson's Fabrications, Dalston, Carlisle.
Cycle Storage as part of the above shelter for 17 cycles.	As above	Summer Term 2007	As above		Provision of safe secure storage for pupil's cycle. Working with parents on safety issues encouraging pupils to cycle to school in support of BWTS initiative.
Road safety marking on the playground.	£500	Summer Term 2007	J Massey		Encourage pupils to learn and understand road safety signs.

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7.3 Long Term Road engineering Targets						
Measure	Cost will be included if approved by Capita Engineer	Time scale	Action by e.g. traffic engineer	Date approved by CCC committee	Completed? (month / year)	Notes
Investigate the possibility of installing a Zebra Crossing outside the Infant and Junior schools on Langrigg Road	c.£12,000	Autumn 2008	K Crawley Senior Project Engineer			To make crossing the busy main road safer for parents and Infant, Junior and Secondary School children and to remove the main barrier to independent walking to school . Also for use by the community - crossing to the health centre, Morton Surgery and the nursing home, Langrigg house and the shops on Stonegarth Potential APM scheme
Install school zone including school warning signs, red textureflex patches with 'slow' markings and amber flashing lights on Langrigg road	£6,800	Autumn 2007	K Crawley Senior Project Engineer			Signs positioned on Langrigg Road could significantly reduce road users speed and increase awareness thus safety for parent/carers and pupils and members of the community . No notice presently given to drivers to alert them to schools in the area
Repaint yellow zig-zag parking restrictions outside the schools	£300	Autumn 2007	J Massey/ Carlisle City Council			To encourage safe parking by parent/carers. Present lines are broken and faded

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7.4 Promotional / Publicity targets (N.B. Evidence can be recorded in Section 11)

Measure	Year group	Number	Cost	Date	Action by	Completed? (month / year)	Notes/success criteria
Regular Articles in the School Newsletter	All + parents	184	Printing	Termly	Working Party & J Massey/M Craig		Greater parental awareness of Travel Plan and Travel Issues. Celebrations of successes and possible recruitment of volunteers.
Promotion of safe car parking facilities provided for parent/carers at the Royal Scot	All + parents	184	Printing	November 2006/September 2007	Headteacher & Working Party/M Craig	November 2006	Increasing pupil safety reduction of congestion at school gates.
Regular and accurate notices/poster on parent noticeboards and allocated BWTS board in the School Hall	All + parents	5	Printing	Ongoing	Headteacher & Working Party/M Craig		Informing and involving staff, parents/carers and pupils.
Handouts/promotional material to parent/carers and pupils.	All + parents	184	Printing	Ongoing	Working Party/M Craig		BWTS Parental Leaflets Luminous Tags (depending on cost) Safe Kids Walking Cost
Activities in school recorded for community and media coverage	Pupils, Governors, Staff, Local Community	184	Nil	Summer Term 2007	Working Party/M Craig		Increase community awareness of BWTS initiative.

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Measure	Year group	Number	Cost	Date	Action by	Completed? (month / year)	Notes/success criteria
Include Travel Plan in School Improvement Plan.			Printing	Autumn Term 2007	J Massey/ Governors/ Staff		Support the Healthy Schools Initiative.
Future inclusion of summary of Travel Plans aims and objectives in the School Prospectus.			Printing	Autumn Term 2007	J Massey/ Governors		Informing new parents of BWTS scheme.
Continue WOW and support other Road Safety Events	All	184	BWTS	Ongoing Wednesday's	Working Party		Sustaining and increasing numbers taking part in WOW.
School Website	All + Parents	184	Nil	Ongoing	Michael Craig , Julie Willows, Wendy Nicholls		Providing up to date information for BWTS scheme. Increasing number of people visiting BWTS site via direct link provided on website.
Participate in Walk to School Week May 2007	All	184	Nil	May 2007	Headteacher Working Party & Staff		Contributing to pupils health and personal development

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7.5 Additional targets / Action taken by the school							
Measure	Year group	Number	Cost	Date	Action by	Completed? (month / year)	Notes/success criteria
Set up a walking bus for After School Club with the Junior School.	All	24	Tabards BWTS funding	January 2007	Working Party/After School Club Junior School Working Party		Increase safety of pupils and staff from After School Club. Raise profile of Walking Buses for school. Liaise with Junior School.
Setup a Walking Bus with the Junior School for Langrigg Road.	All	10	Tabards BWTS funding Application for Walking Grant Jan2007	March 2007	Working Party/Parent Volunteers Junior School Working Party		Provision of CRB checks for parent helpers. This needs to be actioned in the Autumn Term 2006 to enable set up for March 2007. Start on Wednesdays and roll out to additional days if possible. More children walking to school. Liaise with Junior School.
Investigate setting up a Walking Bus for The Beeches.	All	10	Application for Walking Grant Jan 2007	Summer Term 2007	Working Party/Parent Volunteers		Provision of CRB checks for parent helpers. This needs to be actioned in the Spring Term 2006 to enable set up for Summer Term 2007. Start on Wednesdays and roll out to additional days if possible. More children walking to school.
Investigate the provision of a Park & Stride Scheme from Morton Community Centre	All	N/A	Tabards/Signs BWTS funding	Autumn Term 2007	Working Party/Morton Community Centre/ Parent Volunteers		Provision of CRB checks for parent helpers. Start on Wednesdays and roll out to additional days if possible. Improving pupil's health through increased exercise.

Apply for DfES/DfT Walking Grant			£1000/yr	January 2007	J Massey/W Nichols		Funding directly to school will enable us to keep the momentum of walking schemes and buses and make them sustainable.
Enable purchase of subsidized cycle helmets		22	£5/helmet	November 2006	W Nichols BHIT		Cost is often a barrier to the purchase of cycle helmets - this will ensure they are available to all parents at a low cost

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8 Review of targets

This Travel Plan will be a working document and will be reviewed and updated every September by Michael Craig and the working group. The next review will be in March 2008.

The school will complete the survey annually to assess any modal shift which may have occurred.

Survey Results

How do you travel to and from school?														
	Date of survey	Total No. of Pupils	Bus		Car/Van		Car Share		Cycling		Rail		Walk	
			no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%
Baseline: 2006	20/06/06	132	2	1.5	54	40.9	5	3.75	1	0.75	0	0	68	51.5
Yearly target %				1.5		30		5		15		0		60
Baseline: 2007														
Yearly Target %														
Baseline: 2008														
Yearly Target %														

Additional Targets	
Actions/Activities (e.g. walking bus, reduces truancy)	Dates
Walking Buses i.e. After School Club, Langrigg Road & Beeches.	Spring/Summer Term 2007
Park & Stride Scheme – From Morton Community Centre.	Autumn Term 2007

9 Cycle count

The school is to take a cycle count before and after any improvements to cycle facilities are made. It is also recommended that a cycle count is taken before and after provision of any other measures such as training to show effects.

Cycle Count				
Date of count before	Cycle count	Measure Implemented	Date of count after	Cycle count

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11 Comments & notes

Please include any photographic or informal records of activities, and achievements; and include details of any publicity gained.

Add details of relevant national awards given to / working towards.

Attached :

- Parent questionnaire summary from July 2006.
- Online survey report
- Hands up Infant survey
- Newsletters/correspondence
- Website address (see direct link)
- Assembly photographs
- Photographs of Headteacher presenting WOW certificates.
- Press cuttings WOW

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12 Signed agreement



Newlaites Infant School agrees to this School Travel Plan, to undertake its objectives, and to review the Travel Plan on an annual basis with the next review by Michael Craig and the Working Party in March 2008.

This review will also consider pupil travel needs arising from new developments in education and transport provision, and the STP will be revised as necessary to take these in to account.

Signatures	
Headteacher	Name:
	Signed:
	Date:
Chair of Governors	Name:
	Signed:
	Date:
Director/Deputy Director of Highways	Name:
	Signed:
	Date:
Director/Deputy Director of Education	Name:
	Signed:
	Date:
BWTS Coordinator	Name:
	Signed:
	Date: