



Road Safety around Thomson House School

Dear Parents,

At Thomson House School, the safety of our children is paramount. The school is situated on a site close to a busy road, a level crossing, a garage and a wood yard. The school provides safety education for the children in the form of road safety lessons from the Richmond road safety adviser, rail safety lessons from Network Rail, safe cycling lessons and safe scooting lessons. The school risk assesses every journey when pupils are taken off-site and ensures that risks are minimised. However, as a school community we should never become complacent.

With this in mind, we ask that you adhere to the school's safety messages as follows:

- I will use the footbridges over the railway lines whenever possible (i.e. if I don't have a buggy) in order to minimise the number of parents waiting at the level crossing.
- If using the level crossing, I will walk with my children on the inside (i.e. away from the traffic) to ensure their safety.
- I will ensure my children walk rather than scoot or cycle over the level crossing to minimise the risks of them cycling/scooting into oncoming traffic.
- I will avoid crossing the road immediately outside the school gates – I will cross the road either at the zebra crossing or at the barriers to the level crossing when they are down.
- I will ensure that my child enters and exits the main school gates safely, with particular care and attention paid to the amount of traffic on Sheen Lane.
- I will ensure that these safety messages are shared with anyone who brings/takes my child to/from school.

Signed by Parent: _____ Date: _____

Name of Child: _____ Class: _____

We, and the children of Thomson House School, thank you in advance for your support of our safety messages.