

## **Cardinal Newman Catholic Primary School**

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Dear Parents,

During the week of 19-23 November we will be celebrating 'Road Safety Week' which is a national incentive coordinated by Brake, the road safety charity. The theme for this year is 'Bike Smart'.

Cyclists and motorcyclists are among the most vulnerable road users in the UK, with more than 100 riders injured every day in preventable crashes. Cycling is one of the healthiest, cheapest and most environmentally friendly forms of transport available, with the benefits to public health, congestion and the economy widely acknowledged.

At Cardinal Newman, we aim to support the children by providing the knowledge and skills to live in our wider world. During 'Road Safety Week' we hope to provide the children with the understanding and awareness of how to stay safe as a pedestrian, a cyclist and a car user. As part of this, the children will have the chance to go out onto the playground (Reception and Year 1) and nearby roads (Year 2- Year 6) to look at how to stay safe when crossing roads and using pavements. This is an invaluable opportunity for the children whereby they can apply their learning. Through this they can discuss different problems and solutions which they can then take into their life outside school. The experience of using real roads as well as classroom based learning will enable the children to be safe road users.

There are a wide range of resources available online which you can share at home with your children to continue their learning.

At school, we currently hold general consent for trips in the local area for the children. If you do not wish your child to participate in this, please contact your child's teacher or the school office.

If there are any parents who would be around and would be willing to support this, please do let your child's teacher know as soon as possible.

Equally, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Many thanks for your continued support,

Miss O'Neil PSHE Lead