Tips and information for parents

- ⇒ Children first learn their behaviour in road traffic from their parents. Set a consistent example of correct behaviour.
- ⇒ Children's independent mobility is lost or not learnt in the first place when they are brought and collected by car.
- ⇒ Make sure that your children leave the house on time. This way, you don't risk them becoming careless on the way to school for fear of being late.
- The journey to school is not the responsibility of the school, but of the parents.
- ⇒ If children wear colourful or reflective clothing on the way to school, they are more visible to other road users even in the dark.
- ⇒ If your school bag is too heavy, ask the school whether you really need to take all your school equipment with you every day.
- ⇒ During the school year, talk to your children regularly about their journey to school to see if everything is in order.



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Getting to school independently and safely



Tips for travelling to school

Why should my children go to school on their own?

- ⇒ Children gain important experience in traffic and learn to orientate themselves in their surroundings.
- Going to school together with friends promotes social development, as problems in road traffic are dealt with together.
- ⇒ Self-awareness and a sense of responsibility are strengthened.
- Movement on the way to school serves as a counterbalance to sitting at school and helps to process what has been learnt.
- ⇒ Children generally want to go out more.



Walking to school

Ask the school management for the school route plan to find the safest route. Once a suitable route to school has been found, parents should practise it together with their children during the summer holidays. Safety on the way to school can be increased by running groups with other children.

To school on a scooter

From the age of eight, children are allowed to ride their scooters unaccompanied in road traffic. In principle, they are allowed to ride anywhere where pedestrians are also travelling. However, not on cycle paths. Make sure that your children wear a cycle helmet and well-fitting shoes with non-slip soles when riding a scooter.

Cycling to school



Parents should ensure that their children are in control of their bikes and check them regularly for road safety. A helmet provides protection in the event of an accident. Before the first journey to school, the safest route for the journey by bike should be chosen, avoiding busy roads where possible. The school cycle route planner is suitable for this purpose.

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