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November 2022 - School Streets special

We would like to say thank you to all the children, parents and carers who have been walking, cycling and scooting to school during our School Street.

With your support we have already helped to reduce traffic on the roads around our school, resulting in less vehicle noise and quieter, cleaner streets with safer and more pleasant, sociable routes for everyone to enjoy.

Have your say on School Streets

Our **School Streets survey** is now live!

We would be really grateful if you could take a few minutes to let us know what you think of the School Street and if it's changed the way you travel to school. You'll also have the opportunity to give your views on the Pompey Monster Stomp to School Challenge. Your feedback is really important as it helps us to make decisions on the future of our own School Street. You will also help other schools in the city who are interested in developing their own School Street.

The council's safer travel team and Sustrans will be out around the school capturing your views on the trial so please have a chat with them. You can also complete the survey by scanning the QR code you'll find on signs in the roads around the school. The <u>survey</u> is open until Sunday 20 November.

Sign up to Stomper's challenge

Don't forget that your children can still join the Pompey Monster Stomp to School Challenge! To take part in this fun activity, children simply need to stomp to school at least three times a week while you record their steps through the Go Jauntly app. Pupils taking part in the challenge have already walked, scooted and cycled the equivalent distance between school and Mount Vesuvius in Italy. Sign your child up and let's see how far they make it by the end of the trial!

We hope the children continue to have fun getting to and from school with Stomper. Your ongoing support is making our School Streets safer and healthier places for the school community and our neighbours.

Help our School Street continue past the trial

We'd like to give a big shout out to everyone who has been stewarding the barriers during the trial. Residents, parents and carers have praised school staff, Sustrans and volunteers for helping them smoothly and safely access the school during the temporary restrictions. Our School Street wouldn't be possible without you! We would especially like to thank Jenni from Sustrans, Natalia and Stan from PCC, volunteers Jose, Moises, Cesar and parents Samara and Neil for supporting the school staff in manning the road closures. A special thank you as well to our school staff Mrs Hornby, Mr Miller, Mrs Childs and Mrs Ellcombe and the teaching staff for supporting myself and other members of the leadership team to run the road closures by covering gates around the school at pick up and drop off time.

But we need more help if the School Street is to continue past the seven-week trial!

If you can spare an hour or more during the week and have a good rapport with children, you'd be perfect as a volunteer steward. You'll need to answer queries from parents and the public, but we'll provide full training to help with this. Our volunteers have had a very positive experience helping out during our School Street and you could too. Interested? Please complete the form to register.

Road Safety

Next week assemblies will focus on reminding our pupils of road safety ahead of the roads reopening on Monday 14th November.

Many thanks

Mrs R Carlyle

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