



# ASH MANOR SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer,

## Road Safety & E-scooters

We have been contacted by various parents, and several members of the public, regarding our students, your children, and their behaviour when travelling to and from school.

Reports have included students crossing roads dangerously and running between cars. Students have been taking chances that have resulted in drivers having to perform emergency stops. Members of the public have communicated how this has caused them great concern, when they have come so close to hitting a student with their car.

Being hit by a car could result in life limiting injuries, or even death. Circa 600 children between 0 – 15 years of age are killed or seriously injured in road accidents each year in England. The risk of your child being involved in a road accident will increase when they do not have adult supervision.

Most of our students do travel to and from school safely; however, I would ask that you assume that it could be your child who is crossing the road dangerously and speak with them about the physical and emotional impact that an accident would have on them, you, the driver and the inhabitants of a moving vehicle.

### E-scooters

E-scooters are defined in law as powered transporters. This [safety sheet](#) provides information which you need to be aware of, if your child has an e-scooter. In summary, and as quoted on the linked document...

*It is illegal to use a powered transporter:*

- *on a public road without complying with a number of legal requirements, which potential users will find very difficult*
- *in spaces that are set aside for use by pedestrians, cyclists, and horse-riders; this includes on the pavement and in cycle lanes*

*Any person who uses a powered transporter on a public road or other prohibited space in breach of the law is committing a criminal offence and can be prosecuted.*

As a school we have a social and moral responsibility to report to the Police when we witness the law being broken; this includes students using e-scooters to and from school.

If your child has an e-scooter, please ensure that they understand the legal position and do not travel to and from school on it or use it at any time as detailed above.

Thank you for your support in keeping our students, your children, safe.

Kind regards,

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