

2 February 2024

Dear Parents and Carers

On Monday 19 February, your child will be visited at school by the Road Safety Education Team at Gloucestershire Fire and Rescue Service. We will be delivering our 'Passenger' programme which aims to empower young people to speak up when they feel unsafe in vehicles. It is delivered by method of PowerPoint presentation in a discussion based classroom-style lesson.

We discuss

- Road Traffic Collisions
- Local road casualty data
- Peer pressure
- The brain and its part in decision making
- Strategies to keep young people safe from road related harm
- The fatal four driving behaviours

The topics are of course of sensitive nature where we discuss Road Traffic Collisions (RTC's) and with this comes loss of life. This may be distressing for some members of the group, in particular if they have lost a loved one or have experienced an RTC themselves. We want to always make it clear that attendance to these sessions is optional but there will be staff to support and to give a disclaimer at the start. As with our other road safety programmes, a letter home to parents/guardians is essential to raise awareness of this session taking place as we feel it is only right to inform you due to the sensitive nature of the content.

This year we will be thoroughly evaluating the 'Passenger' programme and we ask for your support with this. After the session has taken place, the School/College will be distributing a survey link for both pupils and parents/guardians to complete. Your support with this will be greatly appreciated.

If you have any questions, please contact Jane Campion at the school/College or email the Road Safety Team at [roadsafetyeducation@glosfire.gov.uk](mailto:roadsafetyeducation@glosfire.gov.uk).

Kind regards

**The Road Safety Education Team  
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