

**During the next half term your child will be taking part in the road safety training scheme - Kerbcraft Skill 2 - Crossing Safely at Parked Cars**

This leaflet has been designed to inform you of the things your child will be learning so you can reinforce them with your child while crossing the road.

Please remember that this training is a long-term project and is preparing children for *future safety* on the road. *We strongly recommend* that they be supervised by an adult outside school hours and be accompanied by an adult whenever crossing the road.

Because it is often impossible to find a safer place to cross the road where there are no parked cars, children have to be given a strategy that will help keep them safe in those cases where crossing at parked cars cannot be avoided.

**Remember to tell the children this is to be done only if there is no other safer place to cross the road.**

**These are the steps we teach the children to work through:**

Find a space between two parked cars wide enough for yourself and child. Check that there is a gap on the opposite side of the road to reach the pavement.

Stop at the kerb.

Look in both cars to see if there are any people in them.

Check for engine noise, lights and exhaust fumes.

If there is someone in any of the cars move to another location

**IF THE CARS ARE EMPTY MOVE TO THE OUTSIDE EDGE OF THE CAR ON THE LEFT AND STOP (this is called Line of Sight)**

Look Right, Left and Right again

If there is no traffic coming, walk straight across, looking and listening as you cross.

Should any traffic appear whilst standing at the line of sight, step back, let it pass then move to the line of sight and start again.

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Whilst out on the road these are some other issues which you could discuss with your child.

When walking along the pavement to be aware of driveways/entrances where cars reverse out (Scooby Doo's)

What the lights mean on the back of a car

Clues to look for when walking through a car park and there is no pavement

We hope you find this information useful.

## Kerbcraft information for parents

