

### A SCHOOL TRAVEL PLAN CAN HELP:

- Improve health and wellbeing
- Increase children's travel options
- Reduce traffic congestion
- Improve road and personal safety skills
- Reduce pollution in our environment
- Enhance local communities



QUEENSTOWN LAKES DISTRICT COUNCIL ENCOURAGES AND SUPPORTS SCHOOL TRAVEL PLANS AS PART OF ITS COMMITMENT TO A SAFE AND HEALTHY COMMUNITY THAT IS STRONG, DIVERSE AND INCLUSIVE FOR PEOPLE OF ALL AGE GROUPS AND INCOMES.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT US ON:

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If you're keen on school travel plans, here are some other initiatives that you might be interested in:

Imagine... a generation of innovative and motivated young people, who instinctively think and act sustainably. Funded by QLDC.

[www.enviroschools.org.nz](http://www.enviroschools.org.nz)

Active Schools aims to improve physical activity opportunities and experiences in our primary schools.

[www.sportotago.co.nz/index.php?school\\_sector](http://www.sportotago.co.nz/index.php?school_sector)

Feet First Walk encourages primary school students to walk to school with a caregiver, friend, or organised walking group.

[www.feetfirst.govt.nz](http://www.feetfirst.govt.nz)

A walking school bus provides a fun, safe, active and sustainable way for children to travel to and from school with adult supervision.

[www.landtransport.govt.nz](http://www.landtransport.govt.nz)

[/travel/school/walking-school-buses/](http://www.landtransport.govt.nz/travel/school/walking-school-buses/)

Contact QLDC regarding any of the above initiatives.

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# SCHOOL TRAVEL PLAN

## LAKES DISTRICT



## WHAT IS THE SCHOOL TRAVEL PLAN

A School Travel Plan enables the school community to work together to create safe and healthy ways for students to travel to and from school. They are not just about travel but also about improving health, broadening education and combating social exclusion.

## HOW YOU CAN HELP

A School Travel Plan requires the commitment of the school, students, parents and the local authority. It involves identifying transportation issues and opportunities that are unique to each school and implementing actions to address them. The process includes the following phases:

- ➔ **SET UP**  
Initial discussions and commitment from school
- ➔ **DATA COLLECTION**  
Travel methods and issues gathered from students and parents
- ➔ **ACTION PLANNING**  
School community develops aims and strategies
- ➔ **IMPLEMENTATION**  
Official plan launch and actions carried out
- ➔ **MONITORING**  
Re-surveying and evaluation

## SUPPORT AND ASSISTANCE

Queenstown Lakes District Council offers assistance to schools to develop and implement a School Travel Plan.

The QLDC School Travel Plan Coordinator assists each school to set up a travel plan and can coordinate additional support such as:

- ➔ Road safety co-ordinator
- ➔ Traffic engineers and transport planners
- ➔ Other relevant community agencies

**Schools involved in the School Travel Plan process will receive:**

- ➔ Funding for teacher release time
- ➔ Resources to assist in developing and implementing the Travel Plan

## POSSIBLE ACTIONS

Each school's travel plan is unique, but some actions which school communities can implement include:

- ➔ **WALKING AND CYCLING INITIATIVES**  
Walk to school days, walking routes, walking school buses, cyclist skills training, cycle clubs and activity days
- ➔ **PROMOTION AND EDUCATION**  
Road safety education programmes, school bus safety campaigns, environmental education
- ➔ **ENCOURAGEMENT**  
Newsletters, poster campaigns, competitions, rewards and awards schemes
- ➔ **ENFORCEMENT**  
Parking and traffic enforcement strategies
- ➔ **ENGINEERING**  
Improvements to pedestrian crossings, cycling facilities, road markings and signage, etc

**PLEASE PASS THIS ON TO YOUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBOURS AND HELP SPREAD THE MESSAGE ABOUT SAFE AND ACTIVE TRANSPORT TO SCHOOLS IN YOUR COMMUNITY. THANK YOU.**

