



National Ride2School Day

6. Parent's Safety Concerns & Quiet Neighbourhood Routes

One way you could help to meet parent's safety concerns on National Ride2School Day would be to identify some 'preferable' [Quiet Neighbourhood Routes](#) for your students to walk and ride. Ask yourself, or even better your students, the following questions:

- Is there a school crossing or pedestrian lights that students could use?
- Is there a particular school gate that is more suitable for bicycles or pedestrians to use? If so, will this gate be unlocked early on National Ride2School Day?
- Is there a bike path you could encourage students to use?
- Are there quiet back streets you could encourage students to use?
- **Did you know that children under the age of twelve and accompanied by an adult, are allowed to ride on the footpath? (Victoria and NSW)**
- Enlarge a street map of your school neighbourhood and ask students to mark where they live, and together identify the safest way for them to walk or ride. This can make a great classroom activity.

You can of course ask parents to walk or ride with their children on the day. This is certainly the preferable option for younger students.

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