



Listen

Please support your child

- When out walking talk about the different sounds vehicles make, such as motorbikes and cars
- Listen for sirens and discuss how fast the fire engine or police cars travel
- When talking to your child about important messages kneel down to their level and give them eye contact
- Encourage your child to look for a pedestrian crossing, and ask them to tell you what you must do next and why
- Building up words will help your child develop language: Use words to describe speed, size, shape and talk about road signs and road markings etc...
- Praise your child for all aspects of being good whilst out and about near roads.

In car, buggy and driveway safety

Please support your child

- Praise your child when holding onto pushchair
- Never leave your child alone in a pushchair
- Never use your mobile phone or I pod whilst walking or travelling with children
- Close the gate at home at all times
- Always make sure the front door is closed to stop baby crawling out into road
- Always supervise your child, it would only take a second for a child to crawl or run out of the house into the road
- Check that your seat is suitable for your car and for your child's age/weight.
- Drivers do not expect children to be in driveways. Treat it as if it is a small road and NEVER allow children to use it as a playground.
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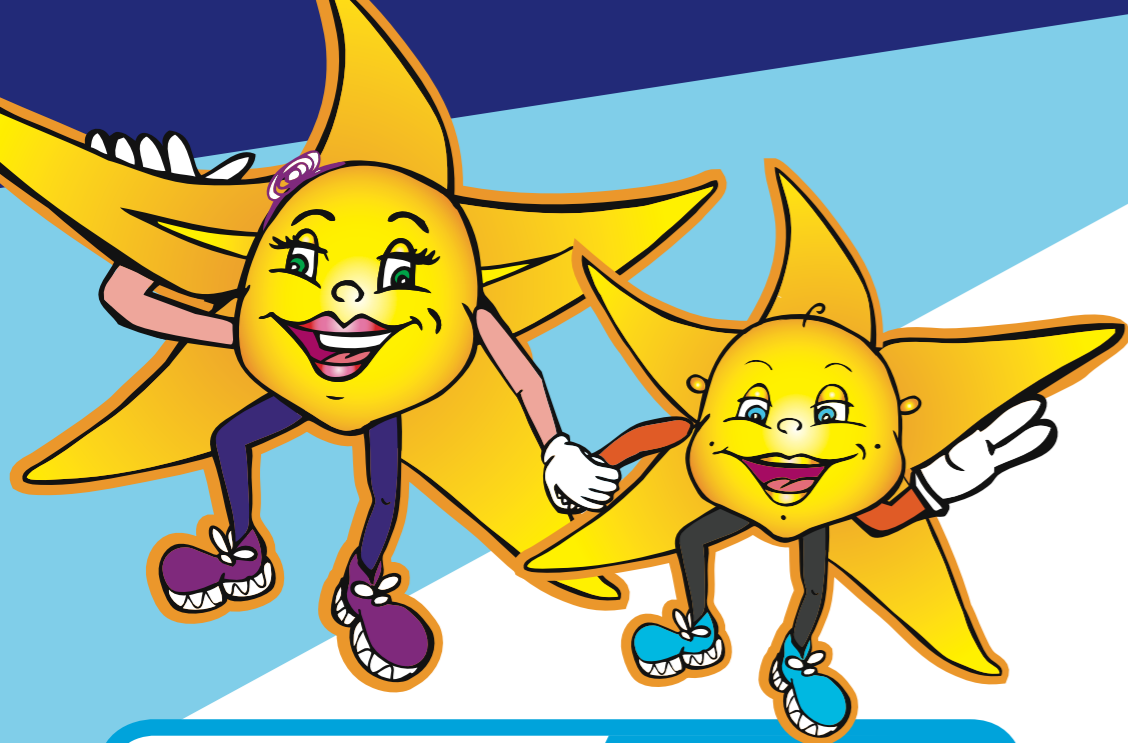


Little Safety Stars

Your child has been learning how to be a little safety star

Key messages
Holding Hands
Stop, Look & Listen
In car safety
Buggy safety
Driveway safety





Holding Hands

Please support your child

- Praise your child when they hold hands with you
- Discuss pressing the pedestrian crossing and the meaning of RED for STOP and GREEN for GO
- Explain to your child the importance of holding onto the pram
- Talk to your child about the fact that roads are for cars
- Talk to your child about the fact that pavements are for people
- Praise your child with all aspects of being good whilst out and about near roads



Stop

Please support your child

- Only use the word STOP for important commands, try not to use STOP in everyday language
- Talk about which vehicles are the biggest or fastest
- Play games using the word command STOP e.g. musical bumps etc...
- Let your child press the button on a pedestrian crossing, talk about the red man meaning STOP and the green man meaning GO
- Discuss always stopping at the edge of the kerb
- Praise your child for all aspects of being good whilst out and about near roads



Look

Please support your child

- Play spotting games: Where a truck? Can you find a bus?
- Talk about how you can see a bicycle coming but you can't hear it
- Discuss different colours of cars and buses
- Count with your child as you are walking along...how many red cars can we count?
- Play looking games such as I spy with my little eye
- Praise your child for all aspects of being good whilst out and about near roads