

Why do we need School Streets?

School Streets is a nationwide initiative to help children, and their families, incorporate physical activity into their day by making it safer to travel actively to school. With less traffic, School Streets make Ealing's streets better for everyone.

To help children and young people get physically active



37% of Ealing borough's year 6 pupils are **obese or overweight**.¹



To help reduce road danger, congestion and pollution

One quarter



of London's morning peak hour traffic is made up of families on the school run.

Most primary and secondary school-aged children live a **20-minute walk or 10-min cycle** from school.²



"Now the roads are **so much safer in the mornings** and it's **healthier and less stressful** for the children." Laura Richter, Deputy Head, Drayton Green Primary School

Children are safer on their way to school



To create **calmer, safer and more pleasant** streets for everyone.



To support positive mental health



Regular physical activity reduces the risk of **depression** by up to **30%**.³

1. National Child Measurement Programme, NHS England, 2024
2. Walking to school calculator, www.familycycling.co.uk
3. Physical activity: applying All Our Health, www.gov.uk

Visit www.ealing.gov.uk/ealingschoolstreets to find out more