Plan your trip to school

Tip 1 – Make A Travel Plan With Your Care Givers
• Map out the safest route to school.
• Work out what time to leave for school.
• Work out time you will be home from school.
• Will you travel alone, with friends or neighbours?
• If you are meeting a friend, work out a time to meet up with them.
• Before you leave for school make sure you have your house key.

Tip 2 – Make an Emergency Plan With Your Care Giver
• Have your name, address and telephone numbers attached to you school bag!
• Try and learn your emergency phone number off by heart.
• Talk about strangers and how to approach a stranger in case of an emergency.
• You may need to knock on the front door of a stranger’s house to ask for help.
• So what should you do next? What shouldn’t you do?

Tip 3 – Learn The Road Rules
Stay safe when you are travelling to and from school.
Remember the roads are built for cars and trucks, not kids.

Walking
• Walk on the footpath
• Look out for cars in driveways
• Only use the road when you are crossing

Bike or Scooter
• Wear a helmet
• Wear bright clothing
• Ride on the footpath if you are under 12
• Ride with a grown-up if you are under 10
• Choose quiet roads
• Watch the traffic
• Obey road rules, signals and signs
• Look for the safest place to cross (school crossing or traffic lights)
• Never cross between parked cars
• Hold hands with a grown-up if possible
• Hop off your bike or scooter and wheel it across the road

STOP, LOOK and LISTEN
• Think... Is it safe to cross?

More information on road rules can be found on the Vic Roads website (www.vicroads.vic.gov.au). The Victoria’s Road Safety Mascot can also be seen on www.youtube.com (Thingle Toodle learns to Stop Look Listen Think)

Tips from one parent to another parent
One of the best tools any parent can give a young child is a family password, usually a word that the child has chosen. We teach our kids that if someone they don’t know tries to talk to them and says their mum or dad wants them to let this person give them a ride home, then this person must also know the “family password”.
Non family members can learn the password only from a family member. If someone outside the family knows the word, then that person can be trusted. If that person doesn’t know the word, your child says that their mum or dad won’t let them do anything without first hearing the password. Children should never divulge the password if asked for it. The password should also be changed if it has had to be used.

We are on the move in 2012.
Take the bus.
Scooter or bike.
And learn together at Whitehorse Primary School.

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