

Subject: Enhance Student Safety: Learn About Our New School Traffic Patrol Program!

Dear Parents,

Your School Council is excited to share an important new initiative designed to enhance the safety and well-being of our children: the **Parent Volunteer School Traffic Patrol Program**.

As you know, unsafe driving and traffic congestion around our school during busy drop-off and pick-up times is an issue that should worry us all. It has the potential to impact any one of us in a very personal way. This new program aims to tackle this challenge head-on by organizing parent volunteers to assist with traffic management and pedestrian crossings.

The **goals of the School Traffic Patrol Program** are clear:

- To create a safer, more organized flow of traffic, significantly reducing congestion and the risk of accidents.
- To support our dedicated school staff (teachers, principals, and EAs) by allowing them to focus on their primary roles inside the school.
- To foster a stronger sense of community as we work hand-in-hand to protect our children.

We understand your time is incredibly valuable, which is why **volunteer shifts are just 15 minutes long**, making it easier than ever to fit into busy schedules. To further support our volunteers, we are pleased to confirm:

- **Designated Parking:** Access to designated parking spaces in the staff lot during shifts (subject to availability).
- **Child Supervision:** Options for supervision of younger children during your 15-minute volunteer shifts.

We invite you to learn more about this vital program and share your interest by completing our brief **School Traffic Patrol Program Information & Interest Survey**. This survey will provide you with full details on volunteer roles, time commitments, and answer frequently asked questions.

As an added incentive, one family who completes the survey will be randomly drawn to receive a free Write-On Stationery school supplies package for one child, generously provided through fundraising efforts! Please complete and submit the survey by Wednesday 6th August 2025 to enter the draw.

Please note: Indicating 'YES' in the survey at this stage is NOT a binding commitment to volunteer. It simply means you are willing to attend a single, mandatory 1-hour training session in September to learn more and gain a basic qualification. Once trained, you'll be added to our volunteer list and can then decide which specific 15-minute slots you are able to assist with. This staged approach offers maximum flexibility.

Click here to complete the survey and express your interest:

<https://forms.gle/8EYY7cbDvEhYxBg86>

You can also visit our stand at the Book Fair from June 10th to 13th, 2025, to find out more and ask questions in person!

Your input is invaluable as we work together to build a safer and more efficient school environment for everyone. Thank you for your time and consideration!

Best regards,

On behalf of ESS Parents School Council