



Transport programs offered by Whitehorse City Council

Whitehorse City Council offers a number of **Active Travel and Road Safety programs** for primary schools in the municipality. Programs can be customised to meet the needs of individual schools, so feel free to discuss your ideas with Council officers.

All programs are offered **FREE** of charge

Transit

The Transit program assists Year 6 students make the transition to secondary school by assessing their transport options and encouraging safe, healthy, sustainable and independent travel. The program includes an interactive incursion, followed by an excursion for students to practice using public transport with their teachers.

Walk to School Month (October)

Council partners with VicHealth to promote 'Walk to School' month in October each year. The month long event tries to create healthy habits for using active travel to get to and from school.

National Ride to School Day

Bicycle Network's program is designed to support schools to encourage, empower and enable more students to get physically active on their journey to school. This event takes place in March each year.

Bike Ed accreditation training for teachers

Funding is available for teachers to participate in the Bike Ed accreditation training course. The funding includes:

- Registration fees for the 2 day course
- Bike Ed resource kit
- A contribution towards costs of replacing the participating teacher with a CRT while on the course

Bike it!

Bike it! is an interschool bike skills competition for Grade 5 and 6 students. The day-long event aims to encourage health, sustainability and safe riding behaviour. The event is held in term 4 of each year.

School Travel Planning (STP)

Council officers work with schools over a 12 month period to assess current travel to school behaviours and plan programs and activities that encourage walking, cycling, public transport and carpooling. Minor infrastructure works in the vicinity of schools as well as school behavioural programs are funded by Council.

Story books

Council officers work with students to develop their own story book that explore ideas relating to sustainable, safe and active transport. Students produce their own illustrations for the book, and Council arranges for the book to be published. Each student receives their own copy of the book.

Other programs and resources

There are a range of curriculum resources that have been developed by different government agencies and community groups throughout Victoria.

For a full list of these programs, visit www.roadsafetyeducation.vic.gov.au

For further information about any of these transport programs, please contact:

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