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Years 3 to 5 – Crossing the Roads Safely – Presentation Accompanying Notes

We hear lots of stories about how busy the roads are. Sometimes they are busy where we live and sometimes near our schools.

This presentation is designed to prompt a discussion of the dangers and to encourage youngsters and grown-ups to hold each other's hands.

This presentation is offered for either class discussion or, if appropriate, at home with parent/carer assistance.

The presentation has animated images and bullets, so needs to be shown in presentation mode (slide show).

Slide 1: Introduction

Slide 2: Busy Roads

We've all seen busy roads, with people travelling in their vehicles to lots of different places. Sometimes they drive....

- Close to where we live
- To our schools, or past our schools

Slide 3: What Does This Mean for You?

It means you need to do things to help keep you safe on the roads.

Slide 4: Good and Not good

- Do people sometimes walk on the road because it's not a busy road?
- Or is it because lots of other people are?

In this picture, there is no excuse.

There might not be much traffic, but it only takes one car (or other vehicle) for a horrible accident to happen.

Remember, you may not be able to hear any vehicles that are behind you.

Slide 5: Holding Hands.....

We sometimes see young children walking, or running, ahead of the grown-ups they are with.

Sometimes on road with lots of traffic. (Check they understand that traffic is made up of anything on the road with wheels).

And, sometimes they are very close to the road.

So, we would like to see them holding hands with their grown-ups.

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Slide 6: 3 Simple Words to Help Keep Young Children Safe

Reveal the slide slowly and let's see if they can guess the three simple words, that are so important for their safety.

Slide 7: Stop, Look & Listen

Let's remind ourselves what we need to do:

Stop – Probably the most important. ALWAYS Stop first!

Look – Remember cars can come from any direction, or perhaps from around a corner, or from a driveway.

Listen – There are some vehicles that make lots of noise. Motorbikes and emergency vehicles for example.

Slide 8: Distraction

Everybody gets distracted at some time. Sometimes it's not too serious.

But what things could distract us when we are crossing the roads?

How does their list compare to what we have on the next slide?

Slide 9: List of Distractions

There will be others, so well done if they got some that we haven't listed.

Have they, or you, ever done any of these things?

Slide 10: Drivers

We know of course that some drivers get it wrong. As you reveal some of the things that drivers do, ask pupils to tell you if they have ever seen any of them.

Slide 11: Drivers

Imagine a driver who is getting it wrong. So, we have to allow for that and be extra careful.

Whisper: Ask them if they have ever distracted a driver?

If we take extra care and STOP, LOOK and LISTEN, we should be able to keep ourselves safe.

Slide 12: Learning and Checking

It's for life, including when we cross the roads.

Slide 13: End

That's it from The Via Road Safety Team