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Dear Parent/Carer

RE: Road Safety Month

As you may know, this month marks Road Safety Awareness 2021. This is particularly important for us at Hackney New School as the safety of all of our students is of great importance to us. Therefore, we would like to give you some helpful information. It is worth noting that an injury takes place on a UK road every four minutes. It is crucial therefore that all members of our school community remain alert and cautious when travelling to and from school, particularly when using Kingsland Road and Downham Road, which are extremely busy roads. We advise all parents, carers to reiterate the guidance below to their child:

- Always use a pedestrian crossing
- Avoid distractions such as looking at mobile phones when crossing the road
- At each road: stop, look and listen
- Wait for the green light to appear before crossing
- Listen for traffic and avoid listening to loud music when crossing roads

To support the safety of our students we ensure a great number of our teachers are present at both Downham and Kingsland Road at the end of each day to support our students with crossing the roads sensibly and appropriately. To further promote our message of road safety, your child will be exploring and learning further about keeping safe when travelling to school during their PSHCE lesson over the next two weeks.

We hope you can find the time to discuss road safety with your child at home. There is a wealth of information online. For further information on how parents and carers can protect their loved ones, please visit <http://www.roadsafetyweek.org.uk/>.

Yours sincerely

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