

Road Safety within Curriculum for Excellence 2025-26



Inside are details of the full range of RSS learning resources for ages 3-18

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Introduction

We all need to use the road network as part of our daily lives. However, sadly we know road accidents still represent one of the leading causes of accidental death to our children and young people.

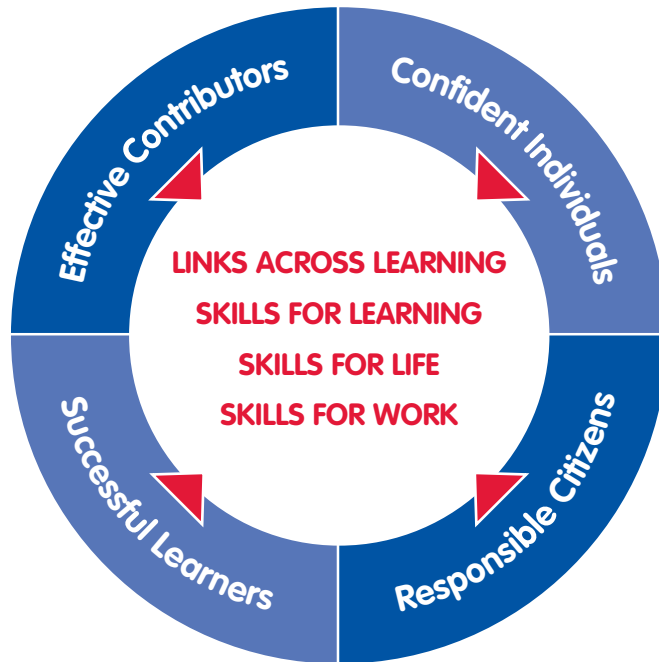
It is vitally important to ensure we all have the necessary skills and knowledge to use our road network safely to minimise the risk of injury.

Scotland's Road Safety Framework to 2030 has the aspiration for Scotland to have the best road safety performance in the world and lays out the route to our plans to achieve zero road deaths by 2050.

If this is to be achieved, we must maintain the excellent road safety support systems that exist in our schools and communities. By engaging our children at an early stage in their road safety learning journey, we hope to help provide them with strategies for a lifetime, helping to keep themselves and others safe in the road environment.

This booklet provides information on road safety learning resources developed specifically to support Curriculum for Excellence in all schools.

Curriculum for Excellence

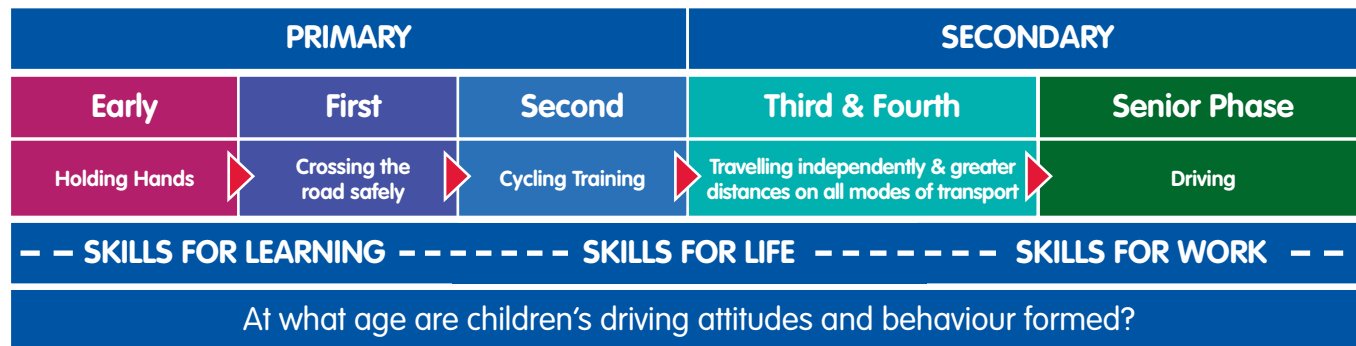


Road safety is the Responsibility of All (RoA). Road safety learning at every level offers opportunities to engage children and young people through active and interdisciplinary learning. The learning approaches highlighted in this booklet demonstrate the range of opportunities available.

Road safety learning at every level

Early	ELC	P1	Go Safe with Ziggy		Roadstars		
First	P2	P3	P4	Roadstars			
Second	P5	P6	P7	Roadstars	JRSO	Reaction Timer	a2bsafely
Third & Fourth	S1	S2	S3	Your Call	Mechanimals (coming soon)	Reaction Timer	a2bsafely
Senior Phase	S4	S5	S6	Crash Magnets	Mechanimals (coming soon)	Reaction Timer	a2bsafely

Road safety learning and the seven principles of Curriculum for Excellence



Progression – young people, as road users, experience continuous progression in their learning with each stage building upon earlier knowledge and achievements.

Depth – young people, as road users, are given opportunities to draw on previous experiences and apply these to new situations.

Relevance – young people, as road users, see the value of what they are learning and its relevance to their lives.

Breadth – young people have the opportunity to learn and develop as road users through a range of experiences.

Personalisation and Choice – young people are given increasing opportunity for exercising responsible personal choice as road users.

Challenge and Enjoyment – road safety learning provides young people with experiences that are challenging at an appropriate level.

Coherence – road safety learning provides young people with opportunities for activities which draw different strands of learning together.

Go Safe with Ziggy

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Early ELC P1

Features:

- Engaging interactive activities
- 'Little books' for home
 - six books for ELC
 - one book for P1
- 'Big book' classroom sets for educators
- 'My Journey with Ziggy' pack
- Accessible in App Library on GLOW

Aims:

To inspire a child's interest in road safety learning. The stories can be used to start the learning journey, leading to exploring key themes through active experience and play.



A paper order form is mailed out in September. However, orders can be placed at any time during the school year. A copy of the order form can also be downloaded from www.roadsafety.scot.

Experiences and outcomes in:

health and wellbeing:

responsibility of all

HWB 0-14a	HWB 0-16a	HWB 0-17a
HWB 0-18a	HWB 0-19a	

expressive arts

EXA 0-04a	EXA 0-05a	EXA 0-14a
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literacy: responsibility of all

LIT 0-01a	LIT 0-01b	LIT 0-01c
LIT 0-02a	ENG 0-03a	LIT 0-04a
LIT 0-07a	LIT 0-09a	LIT 0-09b
LIT 0-14a	LIT 0-16a	ENG 0-17a
LIT 0-19a	LIT 0-26a	LIT 0-31a

numeracy: responsibility of all

MNU 0-01a	MNU 0-10a	MNU 0-20c
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social studies

SOC 0-07a	SOC 0-09a	SOC 0-16a
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numeracy and mathematics

MTH 0-13a	MTH 0-17a	
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Features:

- Animated superhero characters tasking children with missions to develop road safety skills as they grow and learn
- Engaging videos and interactive experiences
- Challenging attitudes and behaviours
- Progressive framework, lesson plans and supporting documents for educators and pupils

Aims:

To develop knowledge and understanding and challenge attitudes and behaviours in an active and immersive way.

Experiences and outcomes in:

health and wellbeing:

responsibility of all

HWB 0-17a	HWB 0-18a	
HWB 1-17a	HWB 1-18a	
HWB 2-16a	HWB 2-17a	HWB 2-18a

literacy: responsibility of all

LIT 0-04a	LIT 0-14a	LIT 0-01a
LIT 0-11a	LIT 0-20a	
LIT 1-07a	LIT 1-09a	

numeracy: responsibility of all

MNU 0-20c		
MNU 2-10b	MNU 2-11b	

numeracy and mathematics

MTH 0-13a	MTH 0-17a	
MTH 1-21a		
MTH 2-21a		

social studies

SOC 0-07a		
SOC 1-14a	SOC 1-17a	



JRSO - All Together for Road Safety

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Second **P5** **P6** **P7**

Features:

- Personal organiser, including badge, notebook and pen
- Engaging and interactive activities
- Accessible in App Library on GLOW

Aims:

To encourage peer learning and promote road safety through partnership working.



Experiences and outcomes in:

health and wellbeing: responsibility of all

HWB 2-12a	HWB 2-13a	HWB 2-16a
HWB 2-17a	HWB 2-18a	HWB 2-19a

expressive arts

EXA 2-02a	EXA 2-05a	EXA 2-13a
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literacy: responsibility of all

LIT 2-02a	LIT 2-06a	LIT 2-09a
LIT 2-10a	LIT 2-15a	LIT 2-24a
LIT 3-10a		

literacy and english

ENG 2-03a	ENG 2-17a	
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numeracy: responsibility of all

MNU 2-20b		
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numeracy and mathematics

MTH 2-21a		
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social studies

SOC 2-09a	SOC 2-16a	
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Reaction Timer

Features:

- Reaction Timer box
- Activities relating to reaction times, thinking, braking and overall stopping distances

Aims:

To raise awareness of reaction time and its effect on stopping distances.



Experiences and outcomes in:

health and wellbeing: responsibility of all		
HWB 2-16a	HWB 2-17a	HWB 2-18a
HWB 2-19a		

numeracy: responsibility of all		
MNU 2-20b	MNU 2-22a	

sciences		
SCN 2-07a		

Features:

- Step by Step booklet
- Accessible in App Library on GLOW
- This resource can also be used as a tool for learning English as a second/foreign language.

Aims:

To support pedestrian training for young people (aged 10-18+) with additional support needs.

Through encountering an interactive, real-world road environment, children will develop the knowledge, understanding and skills to help keep themselves safe as pedestrians.



A new resource for children and young people with complex additional support needs is under development and will replace a2bsafely. It is expected the resource will be complete by end 2025.

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health and wellbeing: responsibility of all		
HWB 2-16a	HWB 2-18a	HWB 2-19a

literacy: responsibility of all		
LIT 2-02a	LIT 2-13a	

Mechanimals Third & Fourth and Senior Phase S1 S2 S3 S4 S5 S6

Road Safety Scotland is excited to announce the development of a brand new road safety resource for secondary schools. 'Mechanimals' is nearing completion. It is anticipated the new resource will be complete by end 2025.

Linked to CfE, Mechanimals offers a new and innovative way to teach road safety, incorporating the use of powerful imagery, a progressive lesson plan, and engaging interactive group activities to support children and young people to prepare themselves for a lifetime of safe road use.



Your Call

Third & Fourth S1 S2 S3

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Features:

- Variety of interactive activities
- Notes for Educators
- Two video dramas and a psychologist interview
- Accessible in App Library on GLOW

Aims:

To engage young people in a number of activities that address risk-taking, decision-making and peer pressure. Encourages self-reflection regarding own behaviour in a road environment.



The new Mechanimals resource is under development and will replace Your Call. It is expected this will happen towards the end of 2025.

Experiences and outcomes in:

health and wellbeing: responsibility of all		
HWB 3-04a	HWB 3-16a	HWB 3-17a
HWB 3-18a	HWB 3-19a	
HWB 4-04a	HWB 4-16a	HWB 4-17a
HWB 4-18a	HWB 4-19a	

literacy: responsibility of all		
LIT 3-02a	LIT 3-07a	LIT 3-08a
LIT 3-09a	LIT 3-10a	
LIT 4-02a	LIT 4-07a	LIT 4-08a
LIT 4-09a	LIT 4-10a	

expressive arts		
EXA 3-03a	EXA 3-04a	EXA 3-06a
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HWB 4-19a		

numeracy: responsibility of all		
MNU 3-10a	MNU 3-22a	
MNU 4-10a	MNU 4-10b	MNU 4-22a

sciences		
SCN 3-07a		
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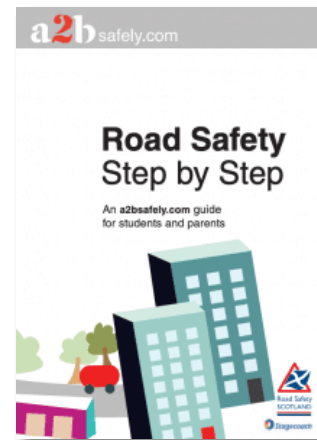
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literacy: responsibility of all		
LIT 3-02a	LIT 3-13a	
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Crash Magnets

Senior Phase **S4** **S5** **S6**

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Features:

- Contains activities, case studies and lesson plans
- Accessible in App Library on GLOW

Aims:

Through discussion, debate and self-reflection, young people will develop an understanding of the responsibilities and risks of being a passenger and becoming a driver.



The new Mechanimals resource is under development and will replace Crash Magnets. It is expected this will happen towards the end of 2025.

Experiences and outcomes in:

health and wellbeing: responsibility of all		
HWB 3-04a	HWB 3-16a	HWB 3-17a
HWB 3-18a	HWB 3-19a	
HWB 4-04a	HWB 4-16a	HWB 4-17a
HWB 4-18a	HWB 4-19a	

literacy: responsibility of all		
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sciences		
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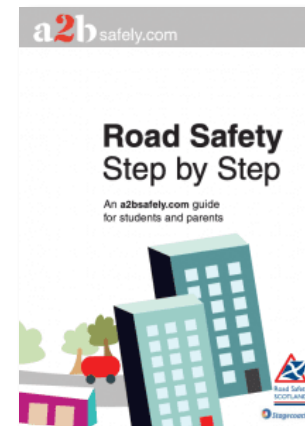
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HWB 4-19a		

literacy: responsibility of all		
LIT 3-02a	LIT 3-13a	
LIT 4-02a	LIT 4-13a	

Useful Contacts

Road Safety Scotland

www.roadsafety.scot/contact-us

Cycling Scotland

www.cycling.scot

DfT road safety information

www.think.gov.uk

Education Scotland

<https://education.gov.scot>

National Improvement Hub

<https://education.gov.scot/resources/transforming-learning/>

Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents (RoSPA)

www.rospa.com

Sustrans Safer Routes to School

www.sustrans.org.uk

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