

#### The aims of this travel plan are...

- To raise awareness amongst pupils, parents and staff about the health, environmental and social consequences of their travel choices.
- To let parents, pupils and staff know how they can travel to school.
- To reduce traffic congestion around the school gates.
- To show how Pix Brook plans to provide road safety education.

#### **School Travel Plan Action Group**

Pix Brook Academy will be a new extended secondary school which opened in September 2019. A school travel plan working group will be established as the school is opened. This will include members of staff from Pix Brook Academy, and members of the governing body.

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### **About Pix Brook Academy**

In the first year of opening Pix Brook Academy is located on the Etonbury Academy school site, before being moved across the road to a permanent site from September 2020. \*REG3 Travel Plan will come into force once the new site is occupied.

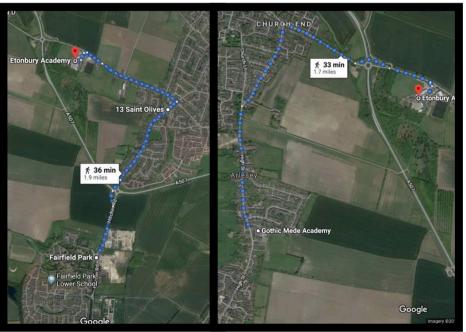


#### Where pupils will come from

The school will be primarily serving the population of Stotfold, Fairfield Park and Arlesey. A summary of the home location of the pupils which have been allocated a year 5 place for September 2019 is as follows:

Fairfield	45%
Stotfold	29%
Arlesey	16%
Elsewhere	10%

## Access to the school



61 children have been allocated a place at Pix Brook Academy for 2019/2020. There are 10 members of staff at the school. There is one entrance to the front of the school, from Stotfold Road.

The school opens at 8:00, with lessons starting at 8:20, the school day end at 3:05. The school has approximately 70 people arriving and leaving every day. It is expected that the travel patterns of pupils will be like that already seen at Etonbury, with most of the students walking, cycling or scooting to school.

The school day at Pix Brook starts and ends earlier than the school day at Etonbury, which runs from 8:40-3:30. This will reduce the impact of picking up and dropping off traffic congestion.

Parents and pupils will be surveyed on how they are travelling school. The results of this survey will be used to understand how to support sustainable travel and be reflected in future travel plans. The school will take part in the CBC annual survey each September.

#### Arrival by car and management of car parking on site

There are 87 parking spaces in the main car park for Etonbury Academy. 10 new spaces created for Pix Brook in addition to 2 disabled spaces. The car park is managed by the school. Parents who choose or need to drive their children to school are not permitted to drive on to the school campus between 8.15am

and 8.45am unless they have applied for and received a special pass (which are only issued on a temporary basis if a child has mobility issues, such as a broken leg or similar). Likewise, access is restricted between 3.15pm and 4pm. There is a "D" shaped area at the entrance to the school is a restricted zone under the control CBC Highways. It is for the use of buses picking up and dropping off only, not cars.

If there is a need for parents to drive, they are advised to park away from the school considerate and orderly manner. We ask parents to be considerate and patient if they need to deposit or collect children.

## Measures to encourage and promote sustainable travel and transport for journeys to and from school

#### Access by foot, bike or scooter

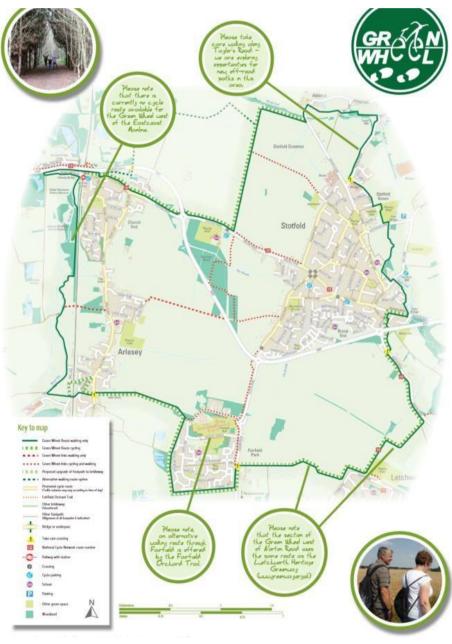
Cycling is encouraged and there are secure bike sheds on site with space for 60 bikes, in addition to the space already provided for Etonbury. Protective helmets must be worn. Cloakroom facilities will be available for Pix Brook students, providing an area where clothes can be left to dry.

The school site is located within the Etonbury Green Wheel which is being developed by CBC, and the Town Councils for Arlesey,

Fairfield and Stotfold. The aim is to provide better opportunities to walk and cycle in the local area. This will be publicised to parents.

#### **Road Safety Education**

Road safety will be taught at Pix Brook during school assemblies and this will be supported the road safety officer at CBC.



#### School Crossing Patrol

There is a school crossing patroller operating outside the school from 8:00 am. Information about travel to school is provided on the Travel and Transport section of the school's website.

## **Barriers to Sustainable travel**

Currently there is a limited local bus service. Please see the action plan table for information about how this will be addressed. The 97 bus runs from Hitchin to Stotfold, via Etonbury Academy and the timetable is included as an appendix. The 97 bus leaves Fairfield (Dickens Boulevard) at 07:38am. This arrives at Hallworth Drive in Stotfold (just before the traffic lights) at approximately 7:43am. Pupils can then walk to the school, a fifteen-minute walk where they will be able to access the school. There is a later bus but this is likely to be full with Etonbury pupils who have a later start. For the homeward journey the 97 leaves the Etonbury site at 15:50pm to arrive at Dickens Boulevard at 16:09pm.

There is no Centrebus from Arlesey to the Etonbury Academy site that arrives prior to the start of the Pix Brook Academy day. For the homeward journey the 96a leaves the Etonbury site at 15.45 to arrive at multiple stops in Arlesey from 15.49pm.

## **Action Plan**

The School Travel Plan Action Group will implement the following:

To encourage sustainable travel:

- Arrange a Walk to School Week event.
- Take part in the CBC annual travel to school survey.

To promote road safety:

- Use online road safety materials to raise awareness.
- Support JRSO (junior road safety officer) activity in school and contact the CBC road safety officer for support.
- Include road safety as a topic in school assembly
- Register with Modeshift STARS
- Investigate Bikeability training

#### To raise awareness:

- Publish the Travel Plan on the school website.
- Have a School Travel noticeboard.
- Have school travel on agenda for Parent Council meetings.
- Appoint a Travel Plan Coordinator
- Provide staff with information about walking and cycling routes (including route to the rail station)

## Monitoring and Review

This travel plan will be updated on an annual basis. Appendix (all available on www.pixbrookacademy.co.uk)

- 1. 97 Bus timetable
- 2. 96a timetable
- 3. Pix Brook Annual Travel Survey 2019
- 4. Pix Brook Annual Staff Travel Survey 2019
- 5. Info available on the Pix Brook website

# **ANNUAL SCHOOL TRAVEL SURVEY 2019**



#### CLASS SUMMARY

School name:Pix Brook Academy					
Year group:5	Class:				
Number of pupils present:52	Number of pupils absent:1				

Please ask pupils to respond with a show of hands and record numbers.

	Walk	Cycle	Scoot/ Skate	Car	Car share*	Park & stride	School bus	Public bus	Train
HOW DO PUPILS				00					
USUALLY TRAVEL	0	7		29	15				
TO SCHOOL FOR	2	1			15				
THE MAIN PART OF									
THE JOURNEY?									

\*Car share is defined as 'travel in a car with a child/ children from another household'.

Please return this form to the school office.



## Annual School Travel Survey 2019 Staff Summary

SCHOOL NAME: ......Pix BrooK Academy.....

	Walk	Cycle	Car	Car Share	Park & Stride	Public Bus	Train
HOW STAFF <u>USUALLY</u> <u>TRAVEL TO SCHOOL</u> FOR THE MAIN PART OF THEIR JOURNEY?	1		8				

Comments;