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## All Saints Carshalton Church of England Primary School

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Dear Parents and carers,

### Car Free Day - Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2017

STARS (Sustainable Travel: Active, Responsible, Safe) is TfL's flagship scheme to encourage young Londoners to travel actively, responsibly, and safely to school.

As part of our engagement with the scheme, we are going to be taking part in STARS Car-free day on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September. The activity is taking place London-wide, and is a great opportunity to create habits for the new academic year. It also coincides with World Car-free Day, an international initiative to encourage people to get out of the car.

Taking part will help improve our school's air quality, with less cars idling nearby; reduce congestion around our gates, creating a safer environment for pupils; and help keep everyone healthy by travelling to school actively.

For this day, we encourage you to leave the car at home and walk, cycle or scooter instead (if you don't already). If you need to drive part of the way to school, you can take part in 'Park and Stride' by parking away from the school gate, and walking the rest of the way. This ensures we can create a safe 'car-free zone' around the school itself.

As part of the Car Free Day, we will be offering a bike security marking event run by the Metropolitan Police. This service is free of charge and the 'marking' consists of taking the frame number from the cycle and marking the cycle with a unique reference number with a chemical compound and applying a semi-tamperproof sticker. All information is recorded and logged on a secure database held by BikeRegister. The aim of this scheme is to reduce cycle theft, identify stolen bikes and assist in owner recovery. BikeRegister is used by every UK Police Force. If you would like your child's bike (or indeed your own bike) to be marked then please complete the attached information form and return to myself by Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September. Please bring any bikes to be marked to the staff car park (which will be completely car free) at 8:45am on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September and I will be there to show you where to place the bike. Unfortunately, the scheme is only open to bikes at this time and not scooters.

For more information on the STARS scheme, visit [tfl.gov.uk/stars](http://tfl.gov.uk/stars).

Thank you for your support and contribution to improving the health of Londoners.

We look forward to seeing you, car-free, on Thursday 21st September.

Kind regards,

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