



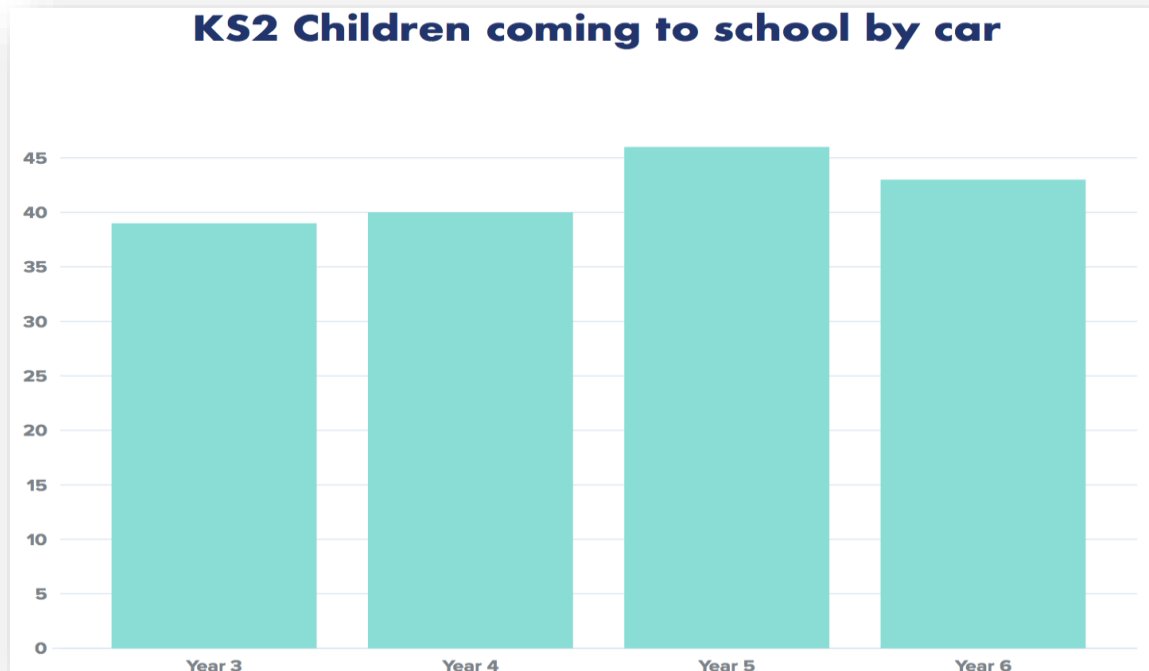
Dear Parents and Carers,

It has come to our attention that here at Avanti House Primary School, pollution from vehicles have become a common problem. As a school, we are working towards becoming a more eco-friendly community, who believe in being one step closer to making the world a better place.

We have counted the amount of children who travel into the school premise by car in KS2, and our results show that on average **160 cars** come through the school gates between **7:30am – 8am** (where the largest amount of traffic is built up). We are all contributing to this global crisis and we are all responsible for our actions. Pollution is not the only issue within the school premises during this half an hour. We have witnessed many other issues such as:

- Noise pollution
- Driving into school through the exit gate
- Taking a right turn out of the school
- Pulling up on the yellow zigzag lines
- Not giving others way from both sides of the entry
- Driving faster than the speed limit (**5mph**)
- Dropping children off earlier than 7:45am without adult supervision

This graph shows the number of people that come to school by car.



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This graph shows that there is not a large difference between the year groups but, there are a lot of children in each year group coming by car. This graph shows the average counted across three days from 7:30 am – 8am. We are aware there may have been cars that entered before or after from these year groups, which would make the amount larger than what the graph, shows. We hope you can see the impact these many cars causes to our environment, to the children who suffer from asthma and to the traffic that is built up during this time in the morning. We believe that the time spent waiting in the traffic, with your cars turned on, could be replaced with parking up on another road and walking down to school. You and your children would benefit from regular exercise, fresh air and a positive mindset, and quality time spent together with the beautiful nature we have around our school.

To help tackle this issue, we need your support! To encourage walking to school, we have two exciting challenges for parents and children!

Children: Years 3-6 will take part in 'Walk into school week'. We will conduct the same investigation from **Monday 30th November – Friday 4th December 2020**, where we will count how many cars come into the school gates for year 3-6. The year group with the least amount of cars driving in will be allowed to have a '*movie morning*' on Thursday 10th December 2020.

Parents: For those parents, who continue to walk into the school gates from **Monday 7th December to Thursday 10th December** with their children, will be treated to a free coffee/ tea/ biscuit on behalf of Avanti House Primary School. With our vision to protect our local environment and not waste cups, we request that you bring your own flask from home to have filled up with tea or coffee.

It would be appreciated if you could try to walk to school and help us reduce the pollution being caused.

LET'S MAKE THE WORLD A BETTER PLACE!

Warm Regards,
Anaya Patel and Fayth Patel (6CC)

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