

## Benefits of the Walking School Bus

- Children arrive at school more alert and ready to learn
- Encourages healthy lifestyles and exercise
- Children and parents get to meet others in their community
- Children gain skills to safely walk to school
- Reduces traffic around the school

## Catch the Walking School Bus

If you are interested in starting a Walking School Bus at your school, or your child would like to catch a Walking School Bus:

Contact the Department of Transport

Telephone: 08 9216 8000

Email: [walking.bus@transport.wa.gov.au](mailto:walking.bus@transport.wa.gov.au)



Walking School Bus is part of **TravelSmart to School**, which promotes walking, cycling, public transport and carpooling for school trips.



## Further information

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**It's fun**  
**It's safe**  
**It's easy**

*It's good for everyone and the environment*

A **Walking School Bus** is a great way for kindy and primary school children to walk to and from school in a fun, safe and easy way.

## What is a Walking School Bus?

A Walking School Bus is a group of students, with adult supervision, walking along a set route between their homes and school.

Children can join the Walking School Bus at points along the route, near their homes.

Children can also be taken to a collection point.

This could be a nearby park where parents drop off their children to join the Walking School Bus to school.

## We need YOU

Let your child be part of the fun! And you can too – as a volunteer. If you do one morning, other parents will walk your children the other days.

Share it and save time!



"the result is exercise, fresh air, a relaxed start to the morning, and reduced parking problems around the school"

Volunteer Walking School Bus Coordinator,  
Mt Hawthorn Primary School.

"It makes me feel like I'm doing something for my health, the environment, the community, and other mums while creating many friendships along the way"

Volunteer Walking School Bus Coordinator,  
West Balcatta Primary School.

"children of different ages build relationships with each other that wouldn't occur otherwise. I think this develops better networks within the school community"

Volunteer Walking School Bus Coordinator,  
Richmond Primary School.

## Who can join the Walking School Bus?

ALL CHILDREN are welcome!

If you live within 1 km of your school then the Walking School Bus is ideal for you.

## Supervision

The bus is accompanied by at least two trained parents or carers.

These volunteers can be a parent, grandparent, aunty or uncle. It can also be a neighbour or a community member interested in helping children get to school.