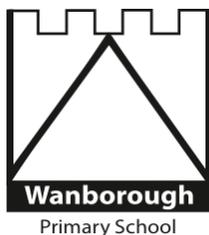


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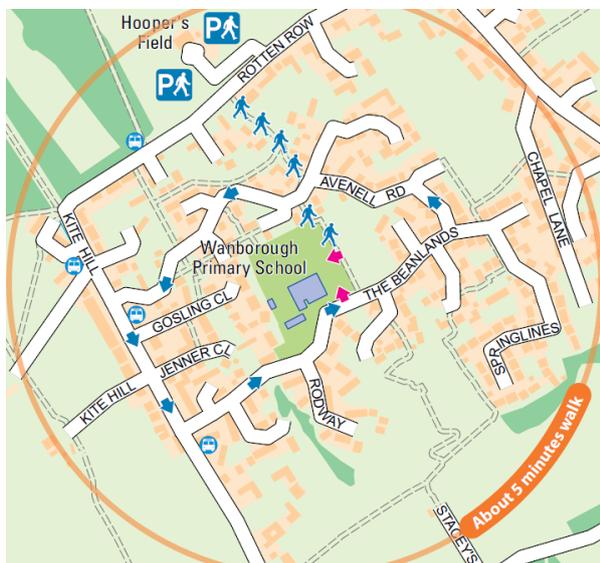
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Park and Stride Week: 20th-24th May

When Wanborough School was built in 1991, most the journeys to school were on foot, from the houses nearby. In recent years, families have come to the school from a wider area, with a consequent increase in car journeys and parking problems not envisaged 30 years ago.

More people trying to park around the school results in greater danger to **all** children and inconvenience to local residents. Last year SBC used money from developers to improve the footpath access from Hooper's Field to School and on up to Church Road, allowing the parking area at Hooper's Field to be used for 'Park & Stride'.



Many families have discovered that this is a convenient way to avoid parking difficulties, plus giving them the benefit of getting some fresh air and exercise before school. We think many more people would appreciate these benefits, so next week (w/c 20th May) we will be running a special week-long 'Park & Stride' event.

Each morning from **8.15**, Mr Woodman and another member of staff will be at Hooper's Field to welcome you and accompany the children to school. We hope that as many parents as possible will take the opportunity to join us on the walk. We will leave Hooper's at **8.25**.

Children 'Striding' all 5 days will receive a certificate in recognition, but for this to be of long-term value, it's about doing it **every** day. We also hope that you'll also use the route at the end of the school day.

Looking forward into Term 6, we will be running 'Walking Wednesdays' from Hooper's Field and we are hoping to involve parents in this and other possible 'Walking Bus' schemes, more on this soon.

A survey that we carried out last year indicated that most people who live within the '5 minute' walking zone from school already do so, which is great! Keep it up!

For more on walking to school, the benefits, the facts and the myths visit www.livingstreets.org.uk/walk-to-school/parents

Mr Woodman, Mrs Hayden & The Eco-Eggs

