



# Introducing On The Go!



Kia ora parents and caregivers,

We are excited to introduce **On the Go!**, a Travelwise programme from Auckland Transport, designed for Year 7 and 8 ākonga (students). This series of six lessons will provide your tamariki with essential knowledge about climate change, road safety, and sustainable transport.

As ākonga learn about the impacts of climate change and the importance of safe travel, they will develop critical life skills that promote independence and responsible decision-making. By understanding how to navigate their environment safely – whether walking, cycling, scootering or using public transport – they will become more confident and aware of their surroundings.

You can support your tamariki's learning by discussing the topics covered in class, encouraging them to share what they've learned, and having kōrero (conversations) about safe travel practices. We hope that you'll consider joining them in activities that promote healthy active travel, such as walking, scootering, or cycling to school together, while discussing how to demonstrate manaakitanga – the values of care and respect for themselves and others and kaitiakitanga – protecting our land and environment now and for future generations.

More than half of Aotearoa, New Zealand students travel to school by car which has a huge environmental impact. We know it's not always possible to avoid using the car for the school run. It's worth considering that even if you cut your car journeys to school by a few times a month or carpool, you're making a big impact in reducing congestion and emissions.

To make this learning experience even more fun for the whānau, we've added a quiz for you to test your own knowledge of these important topics. See who comes out on top – you or your tamariki!

Together, we can foster a culture of safety and sustainability within our hāpori (communities).

Thank you for your support with this mahi (work) to equip our students with the skills they need for a safer, healthier future.

Ngā mihi,

The School Travel team, Auckland Transport

