

# OVERVIEW OF THE SAFE JOURNEYS PROGRAM: LESSON ACTIVITIES AND EXCURSION

The free Safe Journeys Program helps Year 6 students become safe independent travellers ahead of starting secondary school.

The program offers 10 lesson activities that can be adapted to fit your teaching schedule.

NB. If you're intending to book the related excursion to the Road to Zero Education Complex at Melbourne Museum, it is a prerequisite to complete Activities 1-3 beforehand to optimise students' understanding and learning outcomes.

## ACTIVITIES 1-3 (AT SCHOOL)

Activities 1-3 outlined in the Safe Journeys Program Teacher Guide are undertaken at school with a class teacher. Students record their observations and learning in a series of worksheets in the Safe Journeys Program Student Road Map interactive PDF. The intention is for students to:

- gain an understanding of the resources and transport options available to them
- develop road safety knowledge and journey planning skills.

## ACTIVITIES 4-5 (ROAD TO ZERO AT MELBOURNE MUSEUM)

A highlight of the Safe Journeys Program is the excursion to the world-first Road to Zero Education Complex, developed by the Transport Accident Commission (TAC) in partnership with Melbourne Museum.

Activities 4 and 5 are led by a trained facilitator who will guide students through hands-on learning experiences. Students will:

- develop road safety knowledge
- deepen their understanding of the Safe System concepts of Safe Roads, Safe Speeds, Safe Vehicles and Safe People.

Students will participate in a curriculum-based program developed specifically for Year 6 students that comprises the following.

- **Welcome to Road to Zero:** A Road to Zero facilitator welcomes students and introduces them to the Safe System approach to road safety.
- **Experience Space:** In small groups, students participate in activities in the immersive Experience Space featuring the latest visual and digital technology to show students and the wider community how Victoria is moving towards a future where every journey is a safe one (70 minutes).
- **Lunch break** (45 minutes)
- **Learning Studio:** After a brief facilitator-led introduction, students work in small groups to create road safety ads (which will be saved and sent to the class teacher) on the theme of bicycling or pedestrian safety using touch table technology (65 minutes).

From arrival (10:30am) to departure (2pm), your time spent at the Melbourne Museum will be approximately 3.5 hours.



Activities 6–10 are follow-up lessons to complete at school with the class teacher to reinforce student learning and encourage 'next step' action based on the understanding gained. Students will:

- demonstrate the ability to independently plan safe trips using the road/transport network
- reflect on their understanding of road safety and make a commitment to playing their part in stopping people being hurt or dying on our roads.

## CURRICULUM LINKS

- Health and Physical Education (Level 5 & 6) – Personal, Social and Community Health
- English (Level 6) – Literacy
- The Arts (Level 5 & 6) – Media Arts
- Ethical Capability (Level 5 & 6) – Understanding Concepts



## STATEWIDE VIDEO COMPETITION

Following the visit to Road to Zero, teachers and students will receive an email with a copy of the road safety ads created in the Learning Studio.

Teachers are encouraged to enter their class's top two ads into the statewide video competition. Winning videos will be highlighted through TAC and Melbourne Museum social media channels, promoting your school and students. A special prize will also be awarded to the winners.

### To enter the competition:

- forward the teacher email you receive to [roadtozero@museum.vic.gov.au](mailto:roadtozero@museum.vic.gov.au) with 'Statewide video competition' in the subject line
- only include the two ads that were assessed by the class as being most effective
- teachers please note – it is important to forward the original email you receive from Road to Zero (but with the non competition entries/attachments deleted from the message) as the files are large, making them difficult to download and then send again.

The winning videos will be announced prior to the end of the school year and prizes will be awarded.

## EXCURSION BOOKING DETAILS

To secure your spot in **Term 4**, call Museums Victoria booking office on 13 11 02 or email [schools@museum.vic.gov.au](mailto:schools@museum.vic.gov.au).

