Using alternative forms of transport

How do your children get to and from school?

According to a survey of Point Clare families in 2012, 53% said they normally travelled to school by car and 43% said they normally travelled home from school by car. Then in wet weather, another 15% come and go by car!

80% of families said they always or sometimes parked and walked their child into school while 87% of families always or sometimes parked and collected their child after school.

With around 530 students at Point Clare, that’s a lot of cars in a few confined streets with very little parking! No wonder it can get very hectic at pick up and drop off times!

Some people are using alternative forms of transport.

25% said they normally travelled to school by bus and 38% normally travelled home by bus.

22% said they normally walked to school and 19% said they normally walked home from school.

Why consider using alternative forms of transport?

- Better for your health - get fit walking or cycling to school
- Better for the environment - reduce pollution & fuel usage
- Save money - reduce the running cost of your car & replace with free transport
- Save time - walk the dog at the same time
- More social - travel to school with friends
- More time for parents - reduce your taxi trips & make use of the extra time
- Make school safer - reduce traffic congestion to reduce hazards for children

So if you are one of those families that travel to school by car, consider using the bus, walking or riding or even car pooling.

More on alternative ways to get to and from Point Clare Public School in upcoming issues.