Queensland’s TravelSmart Schools partnership.

Today, more children are being driven to school than ever before – and, as a result, traffic around schools has become a major cause of congestion.

If more families could walk, cycle, carpool or catch public transport, there’d be less traffic around the school gate, making it safer for everyone. We’d have healthier kids too, because it would help them to get the minimum of 60 minutes of physical activity they need every day.

TravelSmart is working together with schools, local councils and Road Safety Officers to help reduce traffic congestion around schools, increase student physical activity levels, improve health, road safety of students and contribute to a better environment by reducing air and noise pollution.

Through the TravelSmart Schools Project, we’re creating positive travel possibilities for schools. It’s a fun, hands-on initiative that encourages entire school communities to use their imagination and develop new ways to travel smarter to and from school.

TravelSmart Schools are supported to deliver fun and exciting activities and events where students, parents, teachers and the school community are encouraged to participate and use sustainable and active transport. Activities and events throughout the year include: TravelSmart days, healthy breakfasts, park, walk and ride, the 10 000 steps program, bike education, bus education and carpooling initiatives.

TravelSmart is part of the Queensland Government’s approach to congestion management and is one of a range of initiatives within the Queensland Government’s climate change strategy ClimateQ: toward a greener Queensland.

TravelSmart is a proud sponsor of the Green Lane Diary.

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