

Lambeth School Streets: Reay Primary School FAQs

What is a school street?

A school street is a timed road closure at the beginning and the end of the school day enforced by cameras designed to improve safety for the children and parents using the school.

During the closure time all vehicles will be prohibited from entering the zone apart from emergency vehicles, registered blue badge holders dropping off to the school and registered residents living inside the zone.

What times are the restrictions in force?

8:15-9:15am and 3-4pm during school term time. The school street won't operate during school holidays or at weekends.

What if I'm already parked inside the school street zone when it comes into operation?

All vehicles already parked in the street before the times of operation will be able to leave when they need to. For the first two weeks the road will be closed with barriers, council staff will be operating the barriers should vehicles want to leave and those with exemptions enter.

I'm a resident living inside the school street zone, what do I need to do?

If you already live in the zone and have a parking permit from the council you don't need to do anything, your Vehicle Registration Number (VRM) will be automatically added to the exemption list, if you would like to check then please email schoolstreets@lambeth.gov.uk.

If you have off street parking you will need to register to be on the exemption list, please email schoolstreets@lambeth.gov.uk with a photo of your Vehicle Registration Certificate (V5C).

Other than that you do not need to do anything. Council staff will operate the gates and will be able to let you out of the school street zone.

Can I drive past the school?

We ask those that have to drive to avoid driving past the school when the closure is in operation, we also kindly ask that a speed limit of **5MPH** is observed when moving inside the zone.

I'm a blue badge holder, will I still be able to access the school street zone?

If you are a blue badge holder living inside the school street zone and have a parking permit you will automatically be added and don't need to do anything.

If you need access to inside the zone and can demonstrate good reason to be allowed access to the school street zone during the closure times then you can apply for to be added to the exemption list by emailing schoolstreets@lambeth.gov.uk

I'm a parent or carer, can I enter the school street zone?

No. Parents or carers dropping children at school will not be able to enter the school street zone. You can only enter if you or your child are a blue badge holder and have been added to the exemption list. You can apply to be on the exemption list by emailing schoolstreets@lambeth.gov.uk with as much detail as possible about your access requirements and your V5C.

Where can I park?

Parking is available on surrounding streets.

How will the cameras work and what will they be capturing?

The Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) cameras are only on during the closure time and do not capture any footage other than contravening vehicles.

There are strict privacy laws in place and the cameras cannot be used to capture anything else for example anti-social behaviour.

All data recorded by the automated cameras are reviewed by fully trained and qualified operators and processed in a secured environment in line with Data Protection and GDPR rules. Captured data that isn't relevant to the vehicle in contravention are anonymised at the point of processing the footage.

All footage is wiped either after the contravention has been resolved or automatically after 6 months.

Why was this school chosen for a school street?

Reay Primary are committed to promoting road safety and active travel in school. Issues of rat running and volumes of traffic in the immediate vicinity of the school have been raised. This scheme aims to make the journey to school safer for the children using the school.

Where we have trialled this in other parts of the Borough the majority of residents, parents and carers and school; staff have praised the initiative.

How long will the scheme last?

It's a trial which will end at the end of the summer term. If the trial is judged to be successful, the closure will be made permanent. We will monitor the scheme closely.

Who can I contact if I have any other questions?

Email SchoolStreets@lambeth.gov.uk