



Derby City Council

Mini-Pelican and Toucan Crossing

Using our individual mini-Pelican and Toucan Crossings can help enliven the teaching of road safety.

Both systems provide a practical demonstration of the sounds and signals of a real pelican or toucan crossing. They can be used in a number of fun and engaging ways either as a simple introduction to 'safe crossing places' or involving groups of children. They give children many creative role-play opportunities and, together with the road mat, time to practice crossing the road in a safe environment

When using either the Pelican or Toucan crossing you can talk to children about a number of road safety issues, for example:

- operating a pelican/toucan crossing,
- waiting patiently,
- cars, drivers and other road users,
- the meaning of colours and sounds,
- waiting for traffic to stop,
- where to look,
- distraction,
- the importance of looking & listening,
- the flashing green signal,
- walk- don't run,
- holding hands and people that help - school crossing patrol,
- looking and listening all the time,
- safe crossing places,
- bright clothing - see and be seen,
- where to walk and where to cycle,
- the meaning of words - pavement, kerb,
- where to play,
- red/green signals,
- waiting for traffic to stop.

