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Road safety lessons for Borrass youngsters

SCHOOL children are to be given some handy road safety tips from volunteering police officers. Pupils from Borrass Infants school will be receiving some expert training from two local PCSOs as they take part in a Kerbcraft road safety project for the next twelve weeks.

Kerbcraft is a successful UK nationwide scheme <http://www.kerbcraft.org/> that is funded by the Welsh Assembly and managed by Wrexham council.

The PCSOs will be working alongside the **Kerbcraft co-ordinator George Walker** and his team of volunteer officers to help the year one pupils with their road safety training.

Mr Walker *said* he was delighted that the PCSOs had agreed to help out.

"The PCSOs are a valuable addition to our team and I am pleased that they have made a such a commitment to our scheme. We have had fantastic support from the transport and asset management team at Wrexham council and the project has gone from strength to strength".

"Almost 700 children are being trained each year."

The PPP comments This nationwide scheme commenced in the spring of 2002 & seems to be well thought through. The manual for the original scheme, with follow up sections based on the experience gained is a very well presented document See it at ... <http://www.dft.gov.uk/pgr/roadsafety/child/kerbcraft>

The last progress report, for 2006, states that The total number of children who have received some training to date is **20,658**. This is an average of **646** per scheme. This **seems** to be a small number out of the total population of eligible children. Such schemes are designed for **prevention** of child casualties and need to be followed up at every age group level as an important part of lifestyle education.

PREVENTION is the watchword for the PPP in all aspects of road safety.