



One school run, this much pollution.

The average drive to school and back releases 800g of CO₂ into the air - enough to inflate over 60 balloons. That's ignoring all the other nasty exhaust chemicals. It's not just bad for the environment - inside your car you and your child will be breathing in up to three times more pollution than if you were walking along the pavement.
www.walktoschool.org.uk/walkto/balloons



Walk to School Campaign

- Driving to school and back releases, on average, enough carbon dioxide to fill over 60 balloons! not to mention all the other nasty pollutants such as carbon monoxide, nitrous oxides and particulates.
- There is strong evidence that the pollutants in exhaust fumes cause several thousand premature deaths each year, as well as making asthma worse, and affecting lung development.
- Pollution levels inside the car can be three times worse than on the pavement.
- At 8.50am, 1 in 5 cars on the road is on the school run, and three quarters of cars taking children to school return straight back home again.
- Cars produce most pollution when they drive short distances, with a cold engine, in stop start conditions - does that sound like your drive to school in the morning?