



PRIME MINISTER

**MESSAGE FROM THE PRIME MINISTER**

**WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY 2026**

For almost three decades, Walk Safely to School Day has been encouraging Australian children to be healthy, confident and safe on their way to school.

Walk Safely to School Day recognises how important it is that our kids can get outdoors in their own communities. As parents, we all want our children to be confident and happy at home and in the classroom – and one of the best ways to build this confidence is to engage with the world around them.

Of course, today is also about the importance being safe – and teaching everyone, from kids to parents and carers – about looking after ourselves and each other. A simple step we can all take is to always look, listen and think before we cross the road.

Thank you to the Pedestrian Council of Australia for all its work promoting these important messages, and for bringing this wonderful event to life, year after year.

And, to all the young Australians taking part this morning, stay safe, stay active, and have a fantastic day at school.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Anthony Albanese'.

The Hon Anthony Albanese MP  
Prime Minister of Australia

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