

THEME: Watch Out! Cars About!

This Programme raises the Squirrels awareness of traffic; add your own road safety message specific to the locality of the meeting place. There are several websites with information aimed at four to six year olds. RoSPA has Tufty, the cute little squirrel who promotes safety in everyday situations – visit www.rospace.com to view Tufty merchandise available from the RoSPA web shop, including ‘Tufty’s Adventures’ and ‘Tufty’s Seasonal Tales’, stories with important safety messages. BRAKE, the road safety charity whose fundraising initiatives help support families bereaved by road crashes, advocates holding a ‘Beep Beep Day’ to raise awareness of road safety – visit www.brake.org.uk for more information.

An introductory activity can be used as the Squirrels arrive at the meeting place – colouring or simple puzzles can keep children occupied until all the Drey arrives or use a ‘joining-in’ style game, such as ‘The farmer wants a wife’ or a circle format ball game.

TIME (mins)	ACTIVITY	EQUIPMENT
5	Welcome, Register, Opening Ceremony, Introduction to Programme	
10	GAME: Traffic Corners <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Attach the pictures on the walls – car, lorry, bus, bicycle, etc.</i> ○ <i>When the Leader calls out a mode of transport the Squirrels run to the corresponding picture!</i> 	Pictures of traffic Blutack
10	ACTIVITY: Road Safety Message Devise your own road safety message specific for the Drey and the locality in which they live – a rural setting may differ from the inner city!	Support information
10	ACTIVITY: Traffic Light Sandwiches The Squirrels will enjoy making (and eating) this road safety snack! Prepare the filling by slicing the tomato, breaking the lettuce into small pieces and cutting the cheese into squares. Remove the crusts from the bread and cut each slice in half. Give each Squirrel two halves. Allow the Squirrels to help cut three holes using the circular cookie cutter in the top half of the bread. The children can then assemble the sandwiches, first with spread and then placing the fillings so that they show through the holes cut in the top slice of bread – red, tomato – amber, cheese – green, lettuce!	Paper plates Bread knife/butter knife Bread & spread Small circular cutter Fillings – tomato, lettuce, cheese slices Wipes
10	GAME: Traffic Jam <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>The Drey moves clockwise around the outer edge of the hall</i> ○ <i>As they move they mime modes of transport – bicycle, racing car, lorry and bus (all join together as though on a bus)!</i> 	None
10	GAME: Traffic Lights <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>The Squirrels listen for the instructions called by a Leader</i> ○ <i>When ‘red’ is called they stop and freeze, ‘amber’ they jog on the spot and ‘green’ they run very fast!</i> 	None
5	Closing, Home	

