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KENT STREET KIDS GO ACTIVE2SCHOOL

The City of Ryde Go Active2School walking program will be launched at Kent Street Public School in Marsfield on Tuesday 23 October.

City of Ryde Mayor, Cllr Ivan Petch, said: "Walking safely to school with a parent, family members or friends is a great way for children to keep connected and stay healthy.

"I congratulate the School for taking action to encourage students to get active with this great program."

Working with the Council's project team, members of the Kent Road School community conducted a 'walkability' audit in surrounding streets to map the School's best access routes and identify any potential hazards.

Four hundred Go Active2School packs will be given out to the students and parents are encouraged to familiarise themselves with the information. The pack includes:

- Transport Access Guides (TAG) - maps of safe walking routes
- Information on -
 - Pedestrian and traffic light crossings
 - Libraries and shopping centres
 - Being sun smart healthy living
- Go Active2School water bottle.
- Reflective safety wristbands and bag tag to increase visibility of students.

City of Ryde has partnered with Ryde Hornsby Health Promotions Unit, Kent Road Public School and the P&C Association, Department of Education and Training Road Safety Curriculum Support, NSW Police and Cancer Council NSW to develop this project.

Photo Opportunity:

City of Ryde Mayor Cllr Ivan Petch will deliver 400 GO ACTIVE2SCHOOL packs to students at Kent Street Public School, Marsfield, on Tuesday 23 October, 10.00am.

Also attending – City of Ryde Go Active2School project officers – Chris Hellmundt and Aneta Iloshka; Kent Road Public School - Denise Minifie Principal and Simone Leo P&C Assoc; Ryde Hornsby Health Promotions Unit (NSCCLHD) - Lauren Puglisi, Health Promotions Officer; Gladesville Local Area Command – Jeannie Lopez Youth Liaison Officer; Cancer Council – Russell Ng (CC Ambassador)

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