

ACTIVITY:

TRUCKS AND CHILD SAFETY (TACS)



What is the activity?

An interactive session educating children between the ages of 7 and 11 years old about road safety and the dangers of large vehicles in their local communities, delivered in primary schools across the UK.

Typical activity structure:

1. DHL colleagues train to be TACS demonstrators and visit a local primary school
2. The colleagues run a fun and interactive session with a group of 30 children
3. Children are taught about sight, sounds, and safety – highlighting blind spots and visibility from such a large vehicle
4. Each session runs for 20-30 minutes per class and the TACS team aim to run multiple sessions in one day



Did you know?

DHL has over 9,000 vehicles on the road. TACS gives DHL drivers and colleagues the perfect opportunity to share their skills and experience to educate young people and other road users on how to behave around large trucks.



I had never heard of a blind spot before, I learnt so much when the drivers brought the lorry to our school!

Alex, student from Nottingham primary school



Every year in the UK, over 400 children are killed or seriously injured on our roads. By supporting TACS you can help keep children safe around roads and vehicles.

Hint ★

TACS is delivered in small teams of 2-3 colleagues. One person needs to be a DHL driver.



Who: John Bell

Where: Swindon

Time commitment:

1 day at school + 1 day of preparation.
Demonstrators are asked to give 3 demonstrations per year.

What John did:

John met with the Head Teacher of Eldene Primary School in Swindon to discuss the timings, arrangements and logistics of the TACS demonstration day.

John worked with the school contact to complete a risk assessment and agreed the safest and most appropriate place to park the vehicle on the day.

Tip ★

We recommend speaking to the school 6-8 weeks in advance to arrange your TACS demonstration. Some are booked 6 months in advance to give you plenty of time to get organised.



CASE STUDY:

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John requested TACS merchandise for all 330 children and sent the completed risk assessment, signed by himself and the school, to the TACS team.

On the day, John and his TACS partner, Paul Strevens, arrived at the school and delivered fun and engaging TACS demonstrations to 330 students.



By helping us spread the message about road safety and the dangers of playing around large vehicles, we can help keep children safe and potentially save a child's life. TACS really does make a difference.

Sid Sheward, DHL driver



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- Inspire young people about the world of work
- Showcase DHL and the wide range of careers available in the logistics industry
- Raise aspirations, develop confidence and help young people prepare for employment
- Support local communities by connecting DHL colleagues and sites with their local schools

GoTeach UK opportunities



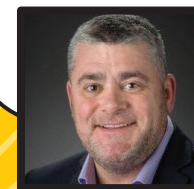
Did you know?

Students with four or more positive interactions with companies, such as site visits or career talks, are **78% less likely to be unemployed** when they leave school and earn on average 18% more! By getting involved in GoTeach UK, you can help even more young people secure employment when they leave school.



I feel really passionately about the huge difference DHL employees can make in local schools and communities across the UK. It was a privilege to be asked to be Chair of the GoTeach UK Ambassador Board and I'd like to encourage you, your teams and sites to get involved to help us support many more young people."

Dean Wyatt, Ambassador Board Chair



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