

by The Independent Travel Training Team



Welcome to the winter edition of Independent Travel Training News, where we will give you a snapshot of the work our team have been doing this term. It will include 60 seconds with a team member, and a quote from a recent ITT student and an opportunity to view our new videos.

Our team have been busy this term visiting educational settings throughout the borough, delivering workshops on road safety, personal safety and stranger awareness. We are now getting ready to visit primary schools to work with Yr 6 pupils with SEN and IEPs transitioning to secondary school.



Would students in your setting benefit from workshops on road safety, personal safety or stranger awareness? If so, contact us via the details below.

If you would like further information about travel training for a family member, you can contact us via email on:

travel.training@solihull.gov.uk

Visit our website: [Solihull Independent Travel Training \(ITT\)](#)

Watch our new videos by clicking on this link:

[Independent Travel Training](#)

60 seconds with...

Caroline Barber



Q. How long have you been with the team and what is your role?

A. This will be my 5th year working as an Independent Travel Trainer.

Q. How did your previous work experience help you in your role?

A. My years spent working in Solihull as a Primary School Teacher have provided me with the knowledge and skills to plan, assess and understand the needs of the trainees.

Q. What's the best part of your job?

A. Working with young people and seeing first-hand the difference ITT makes to their lives and those of their families. I also love being outdoors so travelling around the borough on buses and trains is fun - most days!

Q. What's your favourite mode of transport and why?

A. I enjoy cycling as it gets me outside and keeps me fit so any chance to get out on my bike I'll take it. I also love my campervan - Tommy Red! Tooting along to the coast or countryside is heaven to me!

Q. Any hidden talents?

A. Hmmm..... does playing the recorder count?



During half term our team delivered Open Awards Level 2 Award in Skills for

Teaching Independent Travel to delegates from Shropshire, Lancashire and Lincolnshire. The face-to-face course was a great success and an opportunity for delegates to refresh their knowledge, gain new skills and an accredited qualification in travel training.

Quote from ITT student:

Thank you for your patience, time, company but most of all thank you for believing in me!
College student

Calling all Educational Settings

Do you have children or young people in your setting that are on Solihull Council provided transport to school?

Do they live in within Solihull Council Borough?

Would they benefit from Independent Travel Training?

If the answer is yes, please email us on: travel.training@solihull.gov.uk

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