

# Active and Safe Routes to School Neighbourhood Walkabout

November 16, 2018

**Arbutus Global Middle**

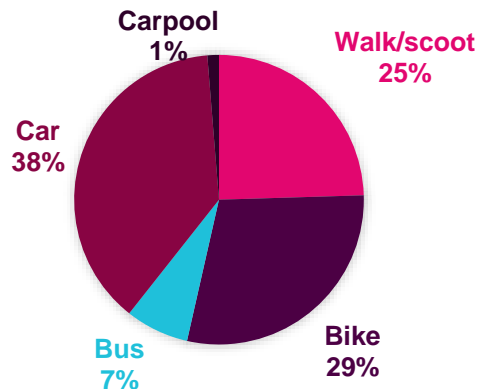
2306 Edgelow Rd

Grades: 6-8 Number of students: ~443

*Principal: Rob Parker*

An on-line school travel survey was distributed to parents between October 15 – 26, 2018. From Arbutus Middle, 155 families completed the survey representing approximately 38% of the school population. The initial results of the survey found...

**Of the survey respondents, Arbutus Global students usually get to school by...**



61% use active transportation to travel to school

39% of students are driven to school

**Arbutus Global Middle has the potential for even more active travel (walk, bike or bus):**

- 90% of students have walked, biked or bused to school at least once in the last year.
- 90% of parents preferring that their eldest child use active transportation to the school.

**Why do Arbutus Global students usually get driven to school?**

- Convenience/Time pressures
- Traffic safety concerns
- Distance from home is too far
- Weather

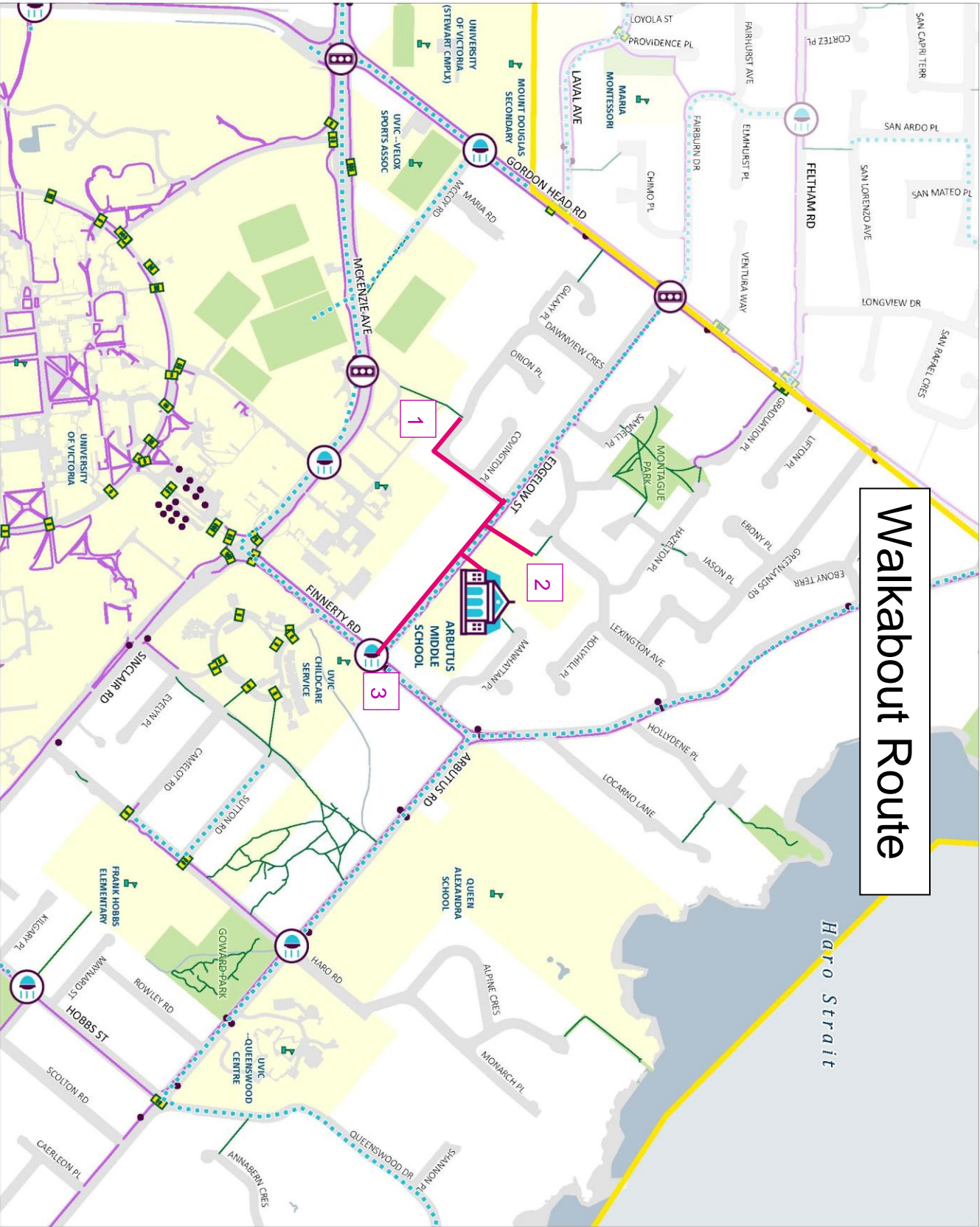
**Arbutus Global parents say they would encourage their child to walk or bike to school if:**

- Continuous sidewalks/trails and bike facilities
- Additional marked crossings
- Lower vehicle traffic volumes/speeds

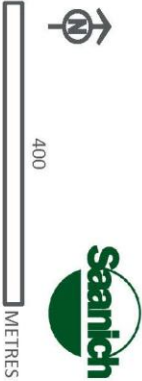
**Locations of concern (location and description)**

- **Edgelow St and Dawnview Cres** – No crosswalk, no sidewalk on south side of Edgelow or Dawnview
- **Edgelow St and Finnerty Rd** – Busy intersection, lack of bike infrastructure to turn
- **Feltham Rd and Gordon Head Rd** – Busy intersection, blind spot with left turn lane, cars not stopping

# Walkabout Route



- Arbutus Middle
  - Other Schools
  - Traffic Signals
  - Enhanced Crosswalks
  - Elementary School Catchment
  - Transit Stops
  - Marked Crosswalks
  - On Street Bike Routes
  - Off Street Bike Routes
  - Trails and Paths
  - Sidewalks
- Route order:**
- 1 – Dawnview and Edgelow, connection to UVic
  - 2 – Cut throughs and biking connections, Lexington Ave
  - 3 – Edgelow and Finerty- Upcoming improvements



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Comments and Observations:

**Strategies and Solutions:**