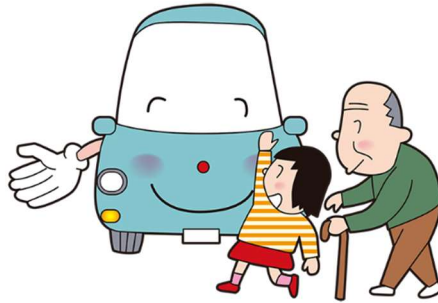


## 5. Autumn National Traffic Safety Initiative

*Sat 21 to Mon 30 September*

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### **The City's Theme for This Year:**

Pedestrians, cars, and bicycles - strict adherence to traffic rules and manners to protect oneself and others.

### **National Traffic Safety Initiative Focus Points**

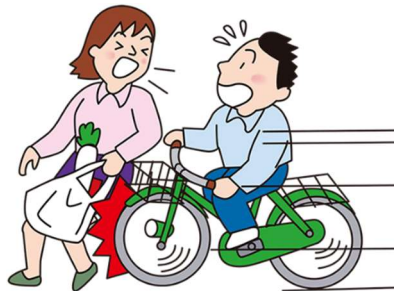
1. Preventing accidents involving pedestrians by promoting the wearing of reflective gear, practicing safe road-crossing techniques, etc.
2. Promoting early use of headlights in the evening and effective use of high beams, eradicating drunk driving.
3. Making sure to wear helmets and obey traffic rules when riding bicycles or electric scooters.

### **Beware of Accidents in the Evening and at Night**

Evening and night-time traffic accidents involving pedestrians start to increase from early autumn, as the sun starts setting much sooner. Pedestrians should protect themselves by wearing reflective gear and making sure to cross at pedestrian crossings. Drivers should turn on their lights as early as possible and use high beams effectively to ensure the safety of pedestrians.

### **Traffic Accidents in Shizuoka City:**

In 2023, there were 3470 traffic accidents in the city, 109 less than the previous year. Between January and May this year, there have been 1348 accidents, 77 less than in the same period last year.



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