

We'd love to hear from you!

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Please get in touch if you
have any great walking or
wheeling stories or would
like to find out more about
our school work.

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Bike It School Dates

- Tuesday 14th &
Wednesday 15th April -
Maintenance Lessons at
Cams Hill School.
- Monday 20th &
Wednesday 22nd April -
Year 2 Scooter Skills at
Elson Infant School
- Tuesday 28th April -
Year 5 Bike Dr at King's
Academy Gomer
- Thursday 23rd April -
Modeshift STARS ATA
Junction Campaign
- Thursday 30th April -
Terry Price Scooter
Show at Shakespeare
Infant School, their Leg it
to Lapland prize!

Big Walk & Wheel 2026

Across the UK the Hampshire Bike It schools have been part of another record breaking year.

2.3 million journeys were recorded from over 2500 schools taking part, the 12 Bike It Schools taking part added over 22,000 journeys to this remarkable total, with results still coming in!

Each school recorded over 63% active travel during the challenge which is amazing.

Well done to everyone who made an effort and to the JRSOs, school councillors, teachers and staff for making this happen.

Bike It John was able to spend time with some of the schools before and during the event with Scooter Skills at Elson Infant School, a Bling Your Ride at Shakespeare Infants, Bike & Scooter Drs at Fair Oak Juniors, Gomer Infants, Hiltingbury Juniors and launch assemblies at Stoneham Park, Hiltingbury Juniors and Infants, Boorley Park, and Gomer Infants.

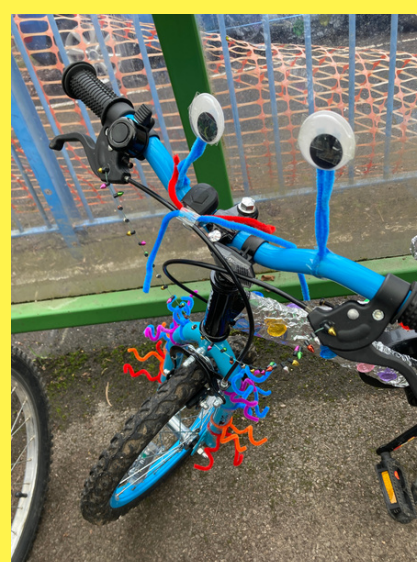
Some particular highlights of visiting as many schools as possible were seeing a child pogo stick to school, and sparks flying from a skateboard!



Sparking skateboards, pogo sticks, Bike & Scooter Dr's and Bling Your Rides



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What's coming up?

A Bike Equipment Library for the Hampshire Bike It Schools...is coming soon!

If you want to try cycling to school with your children, or anywhere else, then we can loan you some great equipment to help you.

There are Burley single and double child seat trailers, front and rear mounted child seats for your bike, pannier racks and bags to help you carry whatever you need, as well as locks, lights and pumps.

You can borrow this equipment for up to 6 weeks to help you decide if you'd like to take the plunge and buy your own. Helping you make cleaner, healthier and happier journeys.

Look out for further communication via your school and watch this space!



Bike Bus Trial - Hiltingbury Junior & Infant School

As mentioned in last months newsletter, we will be trialing a Bike Bus to the Hiltingbury Schools during the summer term, Bike It John was lucky enough to chat to a few interested families and January but if you are interested too then please fill out this short survey to register your interest in taking part - There is no obligation to join the bus once you've registered!

<https://app.onlinesurveys.jisc.ac.uk/s/sustrans/hiltingbury-bike-bus-interest>

To find out more about Bike Buses please follow the link to the Fridedays page.

<https://www.walkwheelcycletrust.org.uk/campaigns/fridedays-bike-bus/>

Useful information:

Learn to Ride

Learning to ride a bike for the first time is an individual journey that can be exhilarating and exciting.

Walk Wheel Cycle Trust offers nine easy to follow steps to help children and families on this exciting journey.

[Teach a child to ride without stabilisers in 9 easy steps](#)

Check your Bike

Want to keep your bike in good shape? Then check out our M-check guide to make sure your bike is safe to ride and working well.

[Walk Wheel Cycle Trust M-Check](#)

National Cycle Network

Created by Walk Wheel Cycle Trust (formerly Sustrans), The National Cycle Network is a UK-wide network of signed paths and routes for walking, wheeling, cycling and exploring outdoors.

In 1979, Sustrans built their first traffic-free path that would become part of the Network, the Bristol and Bath Railway Path.

Over the years many more miles of walking and cycling routes across the country have been created.

To find out more and find a route near you to explore visit:

