



The National School Travel Awards

The Travel Planning Team at Hampshire County Council supports schools to participate in Modeshift STARS: the national schools awards scheme which recognises schools that have demonstrated excellence in supporting cycling, walking, wheeling, and other forms of sustainable travel. The scheme, supported by the Department for Transport (DfT) encourages schools across the County to join in a major effort to increase levels of sustainable and active travel to improve the health and well-being of children and young people. Every school in Hampshire can participate in Modeshift STARS for **free**. This includes support and training by our team.



APPROVED TRAVEL PLAN 2025/2026



GOOD TRAVEL PLAN 2025/2026



VERY GOOD TRAVEL PLAN 2025/2026



EXCELLENT TRAVEL PLAN 2025/2026



OUTSTANDING TRAVEL PLAN 2025/2026

www.myjourneyhampshire.com/modeshiftstars

What will STARS deliver for your school?

- **Accreditation framework** so your school can audit the travel planning activities you have done to date and gain awards over five levels: **Approved, Good, Very Good, Excellent, and Outstanding** to achieve an online School Travel Plan.
- **Effective planning tool** to achieve your school's **objectives** and **monitor** your success in increasing the number of pupils and their families who regularly walk, wheel, cycle and use other forms of sustainable travel on the school journey. This work further supports schools Climate Action Plans (e.g. by delivering initiatives to increase active travel to school to reduce outdoor air pollution).
- **A celebration and promotional tool** that reaches beyond your school informing the wider community of your commitment to improving safety and air quality in the local area, by encouraging reduced use of car travel where possible and promoting sustainable travel to your pupils and their families.
- Your school may have the opportunity to be selected for the annual **Modeshift National and/or Regional STARS Awards** (Early Years Establishment of the Year, Primary School of the Year, Secondary School of the Year, All Through School of the Year, and SEND School of the Year). Ashurst Pre-School, Lymington Church of England Infant School, Noadswood School and The Waterloo School are the 2025/2026 winners of the Local Authority STARS Schools of the Year for Hampshire **and** The Waterloo School is the STARS South East SEND School of the Region.
- To gain STARS accreditation, participating schools conduct an annual 'hands up' survey where pupils are asked 'How they travel to school?' and 'How they would prefer to travel to school?'. This gives a good insight into actual **travel trends** and how pupils would like to travel. The data helps schools to set **realistic targets**. By having a sequence of Hands Up Surveys, this also helps schools to visually **see how their participation in events/initiatives is impacting on modes of travel**.
- Why not get started now? Take a look at the My Journey Hampshire website <https://myjourneyhampshire.com/stars-training>. Here you can access the STARS training films which all have subtitles and clear instructions on how to use the system.

**note there is separate guidance on the 'hands up survey' for SEND schools.*

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Total number of STARS accredited schools in Hampshire (updated March 2026)



Basingstoke & Deane Borough Council	9	Hart District Council	6
Eastleigh Borough Council	13	New Forest District Council	49
East Hampshire District Council	11	Rushmoor Borough Council	11
Fareham Borough Council	9	Test Valley Borough Council	14
Gosport Borough Council	6	Winchester City Council	11
Havant Borough Council	10	Hampshire total	149

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STARS accredited schools Spring Term 2026

School	Level
Beaulieu Village Primary School	Approved
Breamore Church of England Primary School	Approved
Calmore Junior School	Approved
Redlands Primary School	Approved
Talavera Junior School	Approved
Alverstoke Church of England Junior School	Good
Calmore Infant School	Good
Elson Infant School	Good
Hatch Warren Infant School	Good
Hordle CofE (VA) Primary School	Good
Hyde Church of England Primary School	Good
Manor Church of England Infant School	Good
Rachel Madocks School	Good
Stepping Stones Pre-School	Good
St John the Baptist Catholic Primary School, Andover	Good
Stoneham Park Primary Academy	Good
Twiggs Lane Pre-School	Good
Waterside Primary School	Good
Wildground Infant and Junior Federation	Good
Lymington Junior School	Very Good
Lymington Church of England Infant School	Excellent

For the full list of ALL Hampshire schools currently accredited, go to:

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A focus on: Guillemont Junior School, Farnborough.

How engaging with Modeshift STARS to meet a planning requirement helped the school recognise its wider benefits for pupils and families, leading to sustained commitment and progression to 'Outstanding' accreditation!

Guillemont Junior School began working with Hampshire County Council's (HCC) Travel Planning Team in 2023 as a result of an expansion to their Resource Provision. Part of the planning condition was a requirement for the school to achieve a 'Good' level Modeshift STARS Travel Plan. The school quickly began to see the benefits of engagement in terms of an increase in active travel levels/decrease in congestion around the school site. This in turn having a positive impact: reduction in pollution, improved safety around the school site and benefits to the physical and mental wellbeing of their pupils and families. The result? Let's carry on!

Great oaks from little acorns grow! 🌳

The groundwork: 🌱

A key issue that the Travel Plan aimed to tackle from the off was the sheer number of cars coming all the way to school at drop off and collection. The newly formed working group considered how to start tackling this problem. Initial work included:

- **Running active travel/road safety events and initiatives:** The school began running a variety of events/initiatives to encourage active travel. Pupils really enjoy the events/initiatives, and the school has made event participation a regular thing. To name a few of the events/initiatives:
 - Time to Shine,
 - [Bling your Bike](#),
 - Basil Bird mascot (from the Travel Planning Team) walking with families between Pinewood and Guillemont,
 - [Walktober](#),
 - [The Clean Air Challenge](#),
 - Walk Wheel Cycle Trust's [Big Walk and Wheel](#),

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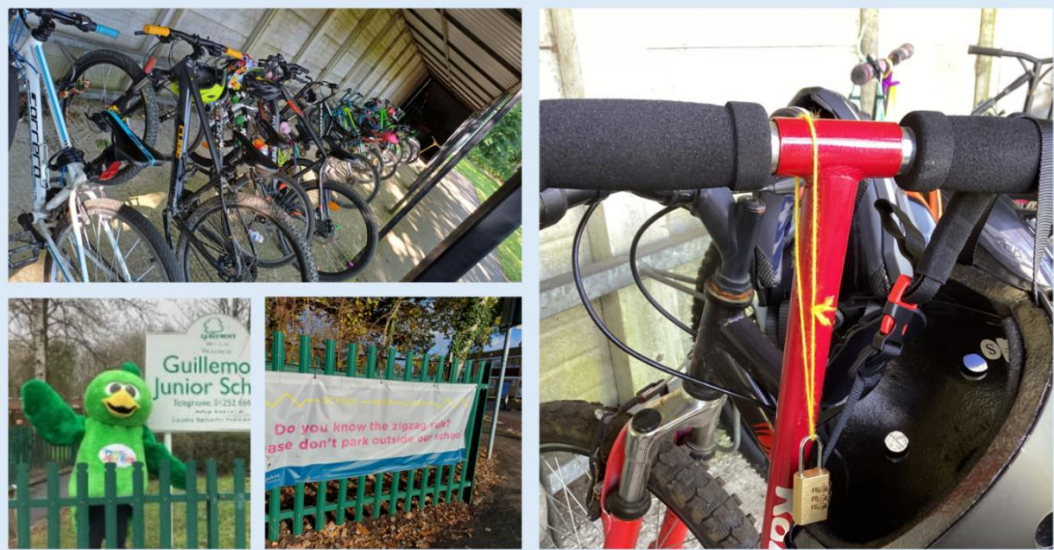
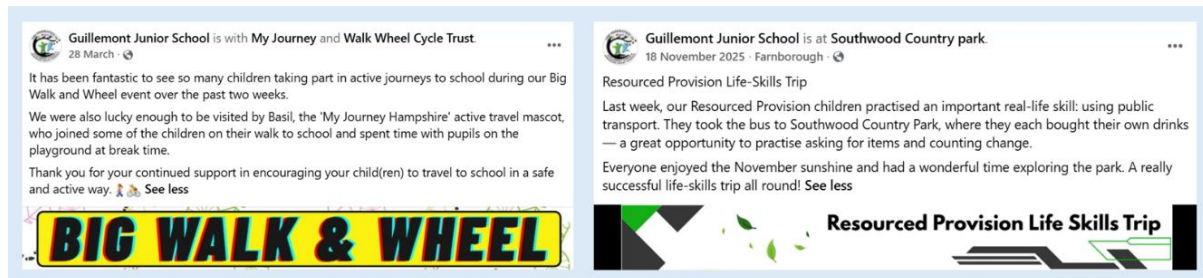
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- The [Golden Lock](#) initiative (lock placed on a pupils bike/scooter and involves a small prize to reward cycling/scooting to school),
- [Railings banner](#) logo competition to design bespoke banner for school,
- Life Skills trips – learning to use public transport,



Above: collages of some of the school's events/initiatives.

- **Communication:**
 - The school began using all modes of communication to ensure the messaging around encouraging pupils/families to walk, wheel, scoot or cycle to school and reduce congestion reached their parents/carers: newsletter, social media, dedicated page on the school [website](#) and putting in place an [Active Travel School Policy](#) in conjunction with Pinewood Infant School.

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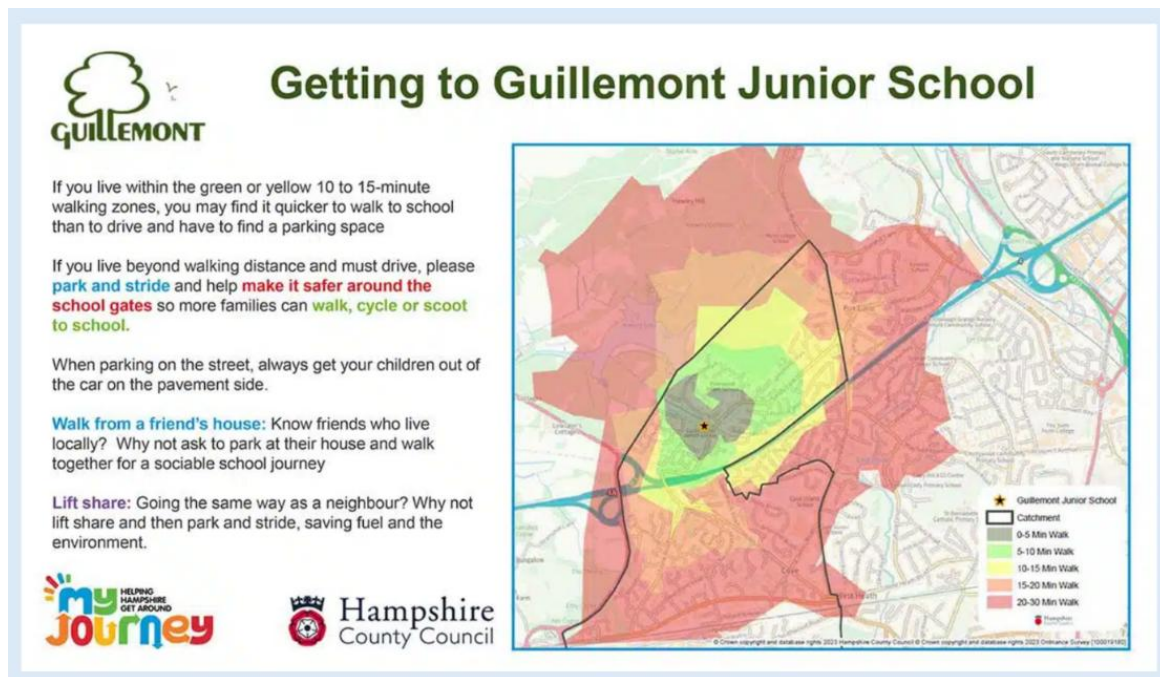
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Above: an example of the information on the dedicated Active Travel webpage.

- **Assembly:**
 - Regular assemblies with the school's [Junior Road Safety Officers](#) (JRSOs) to talk about road safety and active travel.
 - NSL, who is the parking enforcement delivery agent for HCC, delivered a school assembly to explore responsible parking, regulations, and road safety.
- **Parkwise Campaign:**
 - The use of the [Parkwise](#) resources such as the Parkwise Promise leaflet and parent/carers letter.
- **Traffic Watch:**
 - Rachel Hazell the Travel Planning Team lead supported the JRSOs to monitor traffic/parking outside school and encourage parents/carers to consider how and where they park. The team rewarded those who had parked considerately or who had travelled actively with a Parkwise sticker! The local councillor also supported this event.

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The shoots of success: 🌱

The impact of the work is evident. For example:

- There has been a modal shift in the number of cars coming all the way to school: 36.42% in 2023/2024 to 20.98% in 2025/2026.
- Walking rates have also increased: from 37.01% to 43.36% in the same timeframe as above.
- Observations through Traffic Watches also confirm that there is less congestion outside school and those families that do drive all the way, are in the main, parking with more consideration.
- During the school's recent Ofsted visit, the school commented on how wonderful it was to share with the inspectors how their STARS work supports the personal development of the pupils, including pupil safety and development of life skills. The school also used examples from the travel plan to demonstrate how pupils are given leadership roles that encourage active citizenship and responsibility, as well as using the events and activities to enhance the in-class learning.

Growth continues: 🌳

The school has an active working group and meet regularly to discuss progress/set targets/decide on events and initiatives. The group is supported by the local councillor.

They continue to strive to increase active travel rates and improve safety for example, a School Crossing Patrol was deemed justified and now in post.

The school is submitting for Outstanding STARS Travel Plan, which is an incredible achievement!

A huge well done to Guillemont Junior School. Fingers crossed your submission is approved.

The school has provided a couple of great top tips:

- Plan and carry out one [activity](#) per term or half term,
- Make sure the SLT support the work, and you get support for your time,
- Use the [resources](#) from the Travel Planning Team (loads on their website) - they are great!

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