



How to make the most out of your School Travel Plan!



PROMOTING SUSTAINABILITY THROUGHOUT THE SCHOOL DAY...



By helping to raise awareness amongst pupils of the benefits of being sustainable, it will help them to reduce their carbon footprint now and into the future! The world's future is in their hands...



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<https://schoolsweb.buckscc.gov.uk/premises-and-property/eco-schools/>

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Ley Hill School: a Green Flag Eco-School with a School Travel Plan...

Ley Hill School in Chesham have had an approved School Travel Plan since January 2004. They have used their STP work to help them gain a Green Flag Eco-School Status.

“Our School Travel Planning work has played a significant part in achieving our Green Flag status. Our successful travel plan resulted in many boxes being ticked when undertaking the audit for ‘are we ready for an Eco School assessment’. Encouraging sustainable travel is an important factor in being more eco-friendly and at Ley Hill we have had great success in reducing car use by using schemes such as Walking Crocodiles and Go For Gold, footsteps training, cycle training and the development of a family cycling scheme. The involvement of Junior Road Safety officers has also played an important part. We would

definitely recommend both developing a STP and becoming an Eco-School because it has had a definite positive impact at Ley Hill”.

Paul de Koning—Ley Hill School

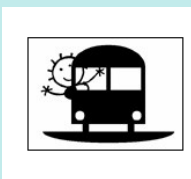


Eco – Schools

DO YOU KNOW THAT HAVING AN ACTIVE SCHOOL TRAVEL PLAN MEANS THAT YOU ARE WELL ON YOUR WAY TO BEING AN ECO-SCHOOL?!

Through School Travel Planning work, schools are raising awareness amongst pupils about the impacts of single occupancy car use and about the benefits of travelling more sustainably. Pupils are encouraged to understand the wider impacts of their travel behavior and the effects this can have on the environment.

Travel is a good basis for pupils to understand the impacts of their decisions on the environment, so why not use this basis to broaden the awareness of sustainability on a wider scale? The Eco-Schools programme enables pupils to understand how to be sustainable throughout the school day and hopefully throughout the rest of their lives!



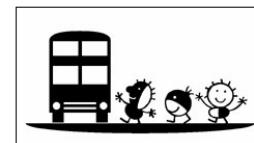
What is Eco-Schools?

Eco-Schools is an international award scheme providing a framework to help embed sustainability into school life. Joining the programme is free and makes tackling sustainability issues manageable and easy for all schools, whether they are children's centres, nurseries, primary, secondary or special schools. Schools follow a simple process which helps them to address a variety of environmental themes, from litter and travel to healthy living and biodiversity. Children are the driving force behind Eco-Schools: they lead the eco-committee and help carry out an audit to assess their school's environmental performance. Through consultation with the rest of the school and the wider community, the pupils decide which environmental themes they want to address and how they plan to do it.



There are three levels of awards: Bronze, Silver and the Green Flag award, which symbolises excellence in environmental activity. Bronze and Silver are both self-accredited, while Green Flag is externally assessed.

For more information, please go to: www.eco-schools.org.uk



? Did you know that an active STP can be your main project for your Green Flag Award?!! If you already have a STP (or are working towards it) you are well on your way to becoming an Eco-School!! ?