

Modeshift STARS Winter Term Newsletter 2021



Winter Term

Hoping everyone has had a restful Christmas period. Once again the Winter Term wasn't without it's challenges, but I've very much enjoyed working with everyone again!

Walk for the World

Living Streets Travel Tracker Theme for 2021/22 is Walk for the World.

Three schools in Milton Keynes are currently registered and using Living Streets Travel Tracker where students track the way they have travelled to school and earn badges the more actively they travel.

There has been over 18,023 active trips since the start of the Winter Term!

If you're interested in using the travel tracker please do get in touch as we are offering a limited number of schools access to the tracker for free!





New Road Safety Officer

Great news that we welcome Keith Wheeler,
Milton Keynes Council new Road Safety
Officer. Keith joins the Council after working
at Thames Valley Fire as a Road Safety
Officer. Keith has extensive knowledge on all
things Road Safety. Part of his role is to
coordinate Junior Road Safety Officer (JRSO's)
programme. If you'd like to get in touch with
Keith to learn more about his role his
information is below.

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Winter Term Initiatives

Each year Sustrans hold a Bike to School Week, this year it was on 27th September - 1st October.

To support Bike to School Week we offered free Dr Bike Sessions to help prepare students. Bike mechanics from Cycle Saviours carry out checks to insure the bike is roadworthy making any repairs they can to the bike. Dr Bike Sessions are still available,

get in touch if you're interested.





Bike to School Week

Love to Ride

During December Love to Ride run a campaign called Winter Wheelers encouraging and rewarding rides during 1st - 25th December. The campaign was open to all school staff, and to secondary school students above the age of 13.

Well done to The Radcliffe School who topped the leaderboard with a huge 286 trips covering 1,258 miles from 1st-25th December! Keep your eyes peeled for the next campagin in March.



Bikeability Cycle Training

Bikeability has been successfully running during the Winter Term. Training a total number of nearly 1200 students across 16 schools. We offer a range of courses that help students Learn to Ride up to gaining confidence riding on roads.

The team adhere to government guidelines and are continuing to train in schools in the spring term.

Get in touch to book your school on to Bikeability!





School Streets

We have an exciting new pilot launching from 31st January. This is where the road outside a school during drop off and pick up times is closed!

If you'd like to know more about this pilot then please visit our website: www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/school-streets

Get in touch!

If you would like to know more about anything featured then please get in touch!

Email: cycling@milton-keynes.gov.uk
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Planning for the New Year?

As we look forward to calendar year 2022 we have lots of initiatives available for schools such as: Dr Bike Sessions, Active Travel Breakfasts, Cycle reward scheme, upcoming competitions and many more.

If you are a returning school working on Modeshift STARS, or a new school that would like to find out more please get in touch!

Diary Dates

<u>March - April</u> 21st March - 1st April Big Walk and Wheel

> May 16th - 20th Walk to School Week

> > <u>June</u> 17th - Clean Air Day

Any time initiatives
10 day active challenge
Parent Parking Campaign

We have the full list of active travel campaigns running throughout the academic year which can be downloaded via our <u>website</u>.