

Friday 29th September 2023

RE: Active Travel

Dear Parents/Carers

With our new Green Flag plaque proudly on display in the entrance area of school, we are already turning our attention to the next steps that we have identified in order to enhance our Green Flag status. Along with the School grounds, we are going to be concentrating on bio-diversity and transport including active travel.

According to data we collect in school using the Wow Tracker 91.6% of pupils arrived at school either walking, biking, scooting or park & stride last week – which is tremendous – WELL DONE. In order to encourage this we are asking families to participate in the Natural History Museum's initiative, in collaboration with Living Streets - Street Safari. This will run throughout October and basically, you look out for animals, plants or fungi on your school run



journey, take a photo of it and upload it to the iNaturalist App to share with others. The website [here](https://www.inaturalist.org) explains more about the project and how to get the app.

Anyone can part in Street Safari, whether you have signed up or not by sending in any photos you take to gwillatt@ecclesall.sheffield.sch.uk by Wednesday 18th October, and we will share these (no names of course) on our school social media pages for all to see.

We would also like to encourage children and families to bike/scoot to school and are going to re-introduce "Wheely Wednesday" – you can still wheel to school on other days too of course! To launch this we are going to run a "Bling Your Bike (or scooter)" on Wednesday 4th October. Decorate your bike/scooter (safely, keeping any bling out of the way of moving parts) and come and pose for a photoshoot in the playground(s) before school from 8.30am.

If you do need to travel by car, please consider park & stride as an option, reducing traffic around school and, as always, please continue to park considerately and safely.

Kind regards

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