Dear Parents/Guardians,

We have some exciting news for you! We are taking part in the 15th year celebration of Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel, the UK’s largest inter-school cycling, walking, wheeling and scooting challenge. The challenge for our school runs from **19-22 March 2024**. It’s free to take part and we would love everyone to be involved. Our school has previously done very well in this competition achieving second and third place in recent years.

**What do you need to do?**

Encourage your child(ren) to walk, scoot or cycle to school on as many days as possible during the event. On certain days each class will also be invited to bring their scooter or bike to school to participate in our ‘scoot round the circle’ event. The days for each class are as follows:

Tuesday 19th March – Nursery, P1 and P2 classes

Wednesday 20th March – P3 and P4 classes

Thursday 21st March – P5, 6 and 7 classes.

**Please note the turning circle part of the car park will be cordoned off from 9.15 on Tuesday 19th, Wednesday 20th and Thursday 21st March.**

**Please also make sure that children walk with their bikes or scooters on school grounds and park their bike upright and safely either outside their classroom window if in Nursery, Foundation or KS1 or in the bike shed and along the opposite wall if in KS2. We also encourage all children to wear helmets and high visibility clothing when actively travelling to and from school where possible.**

**Please also note that no electric scooters are allowed.**

**Why we are taking part**

Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel is a great way to build physical activity in children’s daily routine which is important for their physical health and mental wellbeing.

Plus there are some great prizes to be won every day if we get enough children taking part including a homework pass and class trophy for the class who accumulate the most journeys! For more information about the event go to [www.bigwalkandwheel.org.uk](http://www.bigwalkandwheel.org.uk) .

Best wishes and happy travelling, Mrs Horan (Active Travel coordinator).