

## **School Travel Events Archive**

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### **2011**

#### **May and June**

##### **Walk to School Week, 16-20 May**

Get involved with Walk to School Week 2011 - the action-packed awareness week organised annually by Living Streets. [Visit the website](#) for resources to help parents, children, schools and local authorities to run fun events and activities to raise awareness about walking to school.

##### **Art of Place Making & Creating Resilient Cities, various dates in May and June**

David Engwicht, the inventor of the walking bus, is visiting the UK to teach design professionals and community leaders how to create vibrant neighbourhoods, prosperous shopping streets and magical public places. His circus-themed workshops will inspire you to take practical action to revitalise public places in your city. Find out more on the [Creative Communities website](#).

[Read the workshop brochure](#)

##### **Team Green Great Britain Bike Week, 18-26 June**

The annual event aims to demonstrate the social, health and environmental benefits of cycling by encouraging people all over the UK to give cycling a go, whether this be for fun or as a means of getting around. [Visit the website](#) to find out more.

##### **National Sustainable Schools Conference, 4 dates in June and July**

Coming to Aldershot, London, Manchester, Northampton and online - these will bring together teachers, NGOs and other individuals who work in or are interested in sustainability and environmental education in schools, to learn and share resources, skills, successes, and make plans on becoming a sustainable school.

#### **March**

##### **[The Big Pedal](#), 7-25 March**

The Big Pedal is a humongous, fantastically brilliant race between hundreds of schools and tens of thousands of cycling pupils. It's powered by Sustrans and our cycling officers, and is supported by the Bike Hub. An event not to be missed!

[Find out more and register your school](#)

##### **[Bike to School Week](#), 21-25 March**

Bike to School Week is a fantastic opportunity to promote and celebrate the many benefits of cycling in your school, so join in the fun by planning exciting bike-related events throughout the week to get pupils and staff geared up for cycling.

For ideas and resources, visit the [Bike to School Week](#) page

##### **Climate Week, 21-27 March**

One week to show how we can combat climate change.

Thousands of events and activities, highlighting the positive steps being taken to help combat climate change, are being planned by organisations from every part of society for the UK's first Climate Week. To find out more go to [www.climateweek.com](http://www.climateweek.com), email [info@climateweek.com](mailto:info@climateweek.com) or phone 020 3397 2601.

If you're taking part in The Big Pedal or Bike to School Week, why not [register them as events](#) on the Climate Week website?

#### **January-February**

##### **Sustainability during austerity, 27 January, London**

With budgets continuing to be squeezed, the school transport sector is forced to look for innovative ways to ensure that access to learning stays unrestricted. The 9th National School Transport Conference is a timely forum for those working within the school transport sector to explore emerging trends, hear the latest policy, share best practice and to network.

[Read more details and register online](#)

#### **Eco-Schools Conference, 8 February, Birmingham**

Join Sustrans at the 2011 Eco-Schools Conference, "Greener Schools, Stronger Communities," and explore how young people can contribute to the creation of a sustainable society, while enriching their own experiences and educational outcomes.

[Book a place online](#)

## **2010**

### **November–December**

#### **Opening the Doorway to Sustainability: An online course for educators, 12 January to 29 March**

This online course for educators is the popular professional development participatory programme from WWF, again being run in 2011 by Sustainability and Environmental Education (SEEd). Using the DfE's National Framework for Sustainable Schools as a starting point, it offers an opportunity to explore how taking a sustainable schools approach benefits pupils, teachers, the wider community and of course the health and wellbeing of the planet on which we all depend.

For more information and to register for the course, visit the [SEEd website](#).

#### **Facilitation for Learning for Sustainability, January to March, London**

SEEd is running this popular four day professional development course aimed at teachers, educators, local authority staff, NGO staff and sustainability champions in organisations. The programme consists of four facilitated training days and a supported action learning project.

For dates and to book on to the course visit the [SEEd website](#).

#### **Road Safety Week, 22-28 November**

Get ready for Brake's annual Road Safety Week. This year's theme, 'Kids say slow down,' is aimed at encouraging drivers to reduce their speed to 20mph in villages, towns and around schools. Brake's Road Safety site has plenty of resources to help you arrange events to deliver the message in a fun way.

#### **Modeshift Annual Conference, 25-26 November, University of London**

The principal conference for school travel professionals. Book your place on the [Modeshift website](#).

#### **'Active Ability' workshops, throughout November, various locations**

The British Heart Foundation National Centre for Physical Activity and Health (BHFNC) are offering these free workshops focusing on inclusion in physical activity. It's an ideal training opportunity for sports development officers, leisure services staff, health promotion practitioners, teachers and school sports partnership staff working with children and young people.

For more information and details about workshop locations, visit the [BHFNC website](#).

### **September-October**

#### **European MobilityWeek, 16-22 September**

The European Mobility Week is an awareness raising campaign aimed at promoting and celebrating walking, cycling, public transport and car sharing across European cities.

#### **World Carfree Day, 22 September**

Join together with people from around the world and encourage staff and pupils to ditch the car and travel by foot, bike or public transport. The start of a new academic year is the perfect time to encourage people to

change their school travel habits. World Carfree Day could be a great catalyst to get things started!

## **April-May**

### **Walk to School Week, 17-21 May**

Still going strong after many a year - thousands of schools and millions of children discovering, rediscovering, or just carrying on loving, the joy of getting to school on their own two feet.

Living Streets have all the information you need on their [WalktoSchool](#) site, including free guides.

### **Bike to School Week, 26-30 April**

Info and tips can be found at [bikeforall.net](#). Thousands of schools in the UK will be running all sorts of events and cycle promotions, but please note that there is no national organisation running this, or register to sign up to. Just get the bike out of the shed and go for it! If you want some help, download our [PedalPack](#), or visit our [Bikelt](#) pages.

## **January-February**

### **Annual School Travel Conference, 26 January, London**

"New challenges for a new decade" - This conference will examine the likely implications of increased demand for school transport services going into the new decade, and look at successful initiatives from local authorities that can form the basis of sustainable solutions. Speakers come from various authorities, government bodies, consultants and other organisations - including Sustrans. Download a [conferenceflyer](#) (pdf), or visit the Neil Stewart Associates website, [www.neilstewartassociates.com](#)

### **SEEd/WWF online sustainability course for educators, 11th January - 26th March**

Starting January 2010 and using the DCSF's National Framework for Sustainable Schools as a starting point, this professional development programme offers an opportunity to explore how taking a sustainable schools approach can benefit pupils, teachers, the wider community and of course the health and wellbeing of the planet on which we all depend. Full details at [www.se-ed.org.uk/onlinecourse2010](#)

## **2009**

### **November-December**

#### **Road Safety Week, 30 November - 6 December**

[www.brake.org.uk](#)

#### **Modeshift Conference, 26th-27th November, Glasgow**

The principal conference for school travel professionals: [www.modeshift.org.uk](#)

#### **Cycling Scotland Annual Conference, 17th November**

This year's event in Aberdeen will discuss three major opportunities to grow the number of cyclists: The Cycling Action Plan for Scotland, Smarter Choices, Smarter Places, Cycling and Schools. The event will also provide delegates with a unique platform to engage with those most intimately involved in cycling in Scotland. For more details visit [www.cyclingscotlandconference.org](#)

#### **School Transport 2009, 27 January 2009**

In London - Now in its 7th year this is the national conference for all those working in school transport to explore emerging trends and issues, as well as the latest policy and guidance.

The event will also provide best practice on special educational needs transport, working with operators, raising bus driver skills, and walking and cycling plans.

Speakers include David Blunkett on yellow buses, Tony Armstrong from Living Streets and James Ryle from Sustrans.

Visit [www.neilstewartassociates.com](http://www.neilstewartassociates.com) for more details and bookings.

**Modeshift - working with Secondary Schools, 29 January 2009**

In Darlington - Best Practise sharing on working with Secondary Schools and engaging with young people, visit the Events section of [www.modeshift.org.uk](http://www.modeshift.org.uk) to book or for more information.

**World Health Day, 7 April**

[www.who.int/world-health-day](http://www.who.int/world-health-day)

**Transport - The Road to Nowhere? 20 April - 8 May**

An online debate for young people to have their say - visit [www.headsup.org.uk](http://www.headsup.org.uk).

For each debate the website provides backup material on facts, figures and points of view for pupils and teachers so they can prepare themselves for the debate. They include links to websites, and parliamentarians are encouraged to be involved and respond.

**Walk to School Week, 18-22 May**

[www.walktoschool.org.uk](http://www.walktoschool.org.uk)

**European Mobility Week**

Celebrating and promoting sustainable transport throughout Europe. [www.22september.org](http://www.22september.org)

**In Town Without My Car Day, 22 September**

[www.22september.org](http://www.22september.org)

**The Scottish Learning Festival, 23-24 September, Glasgow**

Too much information to describe! Sustrans will be there though, amongst 200 other exhibitors, inspiring seminars and learning opportunities.

[www.ltscotland.org.uk/slf](http://www.ltscotland.org.uk/slf)

**Healthier Lives, Wealthier Communities? Economic Evidence of Community Health Improvement Impact, 30 September 2009, Edinburgh**

What is it? How might it be used? Why does it matter? The conference will provide a timely opportunity for funders and commissioners of community health improvement and community and voluntary sector health initiatives to come together to learn more about, and take forward, the agenda on economic evidence of community health improvement impact.

Barceló Edinburgh Carlton Hotel, North Bridge, Edinburgh. For details visit

[www.vhscotland.org.uk/events/conf.php?page=2](http://www.vhscotland.org.uk/events/conf.php?page=2)

**Confidence & Wellbeing in Motion, 2 September 2009 Glasgow**

A one-day conference for anyone interested in the topic of confidence and wellbeing. Speakers include Shona Robison MSP Minister for Public Health, Professor Ken Fox, Professor Nanette Mutrie. Fun, physically active workshops to ensure that we're all walking the talk.

Includes workshop sessions aimed at those interested in pre-school and primary education, secondary education/adolescents and communities.

City Halls/ Old Fruitmarket, Candleriggs, Glasgow. For details visit

[www.centreforconfidence.co.uk](http://www.centreforconfidence.co.uk)

**International Walk to School Month, October**

[www.iwalk.org](http://www.iwalk.org)