

Letter writing

Objective

Design and write a letter to the Prime Minister to highlight the importance of cycling to school.

Activity outline

Get the class to discuss why cycling or scooting to school is important- what are the positive benefits they might experience by getting to school this way e.g. improved health, air quality and environment.

Share examples of other letters children have written to the Prime Minister.

Share the letter planner with pupils. Use as a guide to support pupils with planning their letter. If needed, pupils can also use the letter template, or just draw a picture.

Agree as a class or individually what the key message may be.

Pupils create their letter either individually or select one person to write it on behalf of the class.

Please send your pupils letters to cycletoschoolweek@gmail.com

Inspired by:

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Time needed:

30 minutes



Resources needed:

Letter planner per pupil Letter template per pupil (optional)



Solo/group activity:

Either



Curriculum links

Persuasive language (Eng)

Language and literacy. Communication (NI)

English literacy (Scot)

Welsh Curriculum Areas of Learning and Experience: Languages, literacy and communication





Letter planner

1. Main message

What do you want to tell the Prime Minister?

2. Other messages

What else is important to write about?

3. Facts

What interesting facts do you want to share?

4. Pictures

could you include a drawing in your letter?

Dear...

My name is ...

I would like to know what you are planning to do about ...

This issue is important to me because ...

I think you should ...

Yours sincerely ...