Ealing Council School Travel Academic Year Calendar 2023-2024

Last updated: January 2024

September

TravelWise Week

Date: 16 - 22 September 2023

Sustainable travel campaign Modeshift encourages you to begin the term as you mean to go on by getting the school community to make wise transport choices, including walking, scooting and wheeling, or using park and stride. Mark you participation with STARS activity card for European mobility week

National Fitness Day

Date: 20 September 2023

STARS activity card for National Fitness Day

Amend title to 'Health and Fitness benefits of Active Travel'

NB: Please ensure you teach the children about the health benefits of active travel

World Car Free Day

Date: 22 to 24 September

Leave the cars parked and make your street a hub of fun.

Car Free Day 2023 - Play Streets (londonplaystreets.org.uk), World Car Free Day | Cycling UK and Living

Streets have ideas and resources.

STARS activity card for World Car Free Day

Bike to School Week

Cycle to School Week Teacher Resources - Sustrans.org.uk

Date: 25 – 29 September 2023

STARS activity card for Bike to School Week

Amend title to 'Bike to school week'

October

International Walk to School Month

Date: October 2023

International Walk to School Month | Living Streets

Walk to School Month (tfl.gov.uk)

Autumn Active Travel Challenge

Date: October 2023

To participate please contact sta@ealing.gov.uk

STARS activity card for Autumn Active Travel Challenge

Amend title to 'Autumn Active Travel Challenge'

For more information see this **Ealing News Extra** article

'Design our next Ealing Active Travel Challenge Bookmark' Competition







Date: October 2023

Entries need to be sent to the School Travel Team by Friday 10 November 2023

STARS activity card for Autumn Active Travel Challenge

Amend title to 'Ealing Active Travel Challenge Bookmark Competition'

Details of competition will be sent to participating schools with the autumn challenge resources.

Workshop: New Travel Champion Training
Date: 28 September 2023 OR 31 October 2023

Time 9.30am -1.00pm

This is for those who are new to the role of School Travel Champion or need a reminder of the role and a better understanding of the benefits of STARS. We will provide information on what you need to do to develop or maintain your school's STARS accreditation. Click on your preferred Date: above to book your place

STARS activity card for New Champion Training Workshop

Amend title to 'LBE STARS training for new champions'

Workshop: Experienced Champion Training

Date: <u>19 October</u> Time 9.30am -1.00pm

This workshop is for School Travel Champions who have worked on STARS for more than one academic year and are working towards silver and gold accreditation. You will hear more about how to make events count, be given guidance on how to run a successful consultation so that it counts towards silver and gold accreditation and receive advice and guidance on what you need to do to develop and maintain your school's STARS accreditation. Click on the link above to book your place.

STARS activity card for New Champion Training Workshop

Amend title to 'LBE STARS training for new champions'

Half Term

Date: 23 October 2022 - 27 October 2023

November

COP28 (UN Climate Change Conference to be held in UAE)

Date: 30 November - 12 December 2023

STARS activity card for COP27

Amend title to 'COP28 - Environmental benefits of Active Travel'

Be Bright Be Seen

Date: November 2023

To promote being visible as the clocks changed on 29 October, it will be darker on the way to and from

school.

STARS activity card for Organise a Be Bright stall or a Brighten your bag activity







World Day of Remembrance for road traffic victims

Date: 19 November 2023

STARS activity card for World Day of Remembrance for road traffic victims

Road Safety Week

Date: 19 November - 25 November 2023 STARS activity card for Road Safety Week

Walk together on Friendship Friday/Odd Socks Day

Date: 17 November 2023

STARS activity card for Walk together on Friendship Friday

Amend title to 'Walk together on Friendship Friday'

December

Festive/Santa Stroll

Date: Any day in December 2023

STARS activity card for Festive/Santa Stroll

Amend title to 'Winter Walk/Santa Stroll' as appropriate

You could organise an Enormous Walking Bus to encourage families to walk to school

STARS activity card for walking bus

Active Travel December

Date: Every school day in December 2023
STARS activity card for Active Travel December

Amend title to 'Active Travel December' as appropriate

This is a social media campaign where we work with other areas of the UK to promote pupils being active during the lead up to the winter break. You could use our special song to start assemblies in December, maybe even writing your own lyrics for extra verses. The calendar will be updated once the resources are ready.

Christmas Holidays

Date: 22 December 2023 - 05 January 2024

January 2024

Winter Walk

Date: Any day in January 2024

STARS activity card for Winter Walk

Amend title to 'Winter Walk'

You could organise an Enormous Walking Bus to encourage families to walk to school

STARS activity card for walking bus







New Travel Champion Workshop

Date: 9 January 2024, 9.30am to 1pm, in person at Perceval House

If you are new to the role or would like a refresher, this workshop will give you the information you need to encourage active and sustainable travel in your school in a manageable and effective way, and achieve, maintain or improve your TfL Travel for Life (STARS) Accreditation status. Click here to register

Experienced Travel Champions Workshop

Date: 17 January 2024, 9.30 to 1pm, in person at Perceval House

For Champions who have been in post for more than one year, and have done a Hands Up Survey, this workshop will show you how to maintain or improve your TfL Travel for Life (STARS) Accreditation status. Click here to register

February

Valentines Day 'Love your heart' active travel day

Date: 14 February 2024

Organise events and an assembly to promote the health benefits of active travel. This date is in half term so why not do something before the break.

STARS activity card for health benefits

Half Term

Date: 12 February – 16 February 2024

Half-term cycling courses are available in the borough. Contact sta@ealing.gov.uk to find out more.

TfL Travel Explorers Ambassadors/JTA Fun Day

Date: Wednesday, 21 February 2024

10am to 2pm at Perceval House, 14-16 Uxbridge Road W5 2HL.

A fantastic opportunity for TfL Travel Explorers Ambassadors/JTA's to learn how to carry out their very important role. It is an induction workshop as well as a ceremony for the ambassadors. The event will consist of a series of workshop sessions where we will show them how to deliver assemblies, run competitions and support you with active, safe and sustainable travel. They will also get to meet ambassadors from other schools in the borough. Look out for an email with details of how to book or contact sta@ealing.gov.uk for more information.







March

March in March Date: March 2024

A month to promote walking and observe the first signs of spring. The <u>Walk to School Month (tfl.gov.uk)</u> Activity card can be used, along with its suggested activites. Amend the title to 'March in March' Also remind families of the local Park and Stride areas by promoting your school's Active Travel Map <u>Active travel maps | Ealing Grid for Learning (egfl.org.uk)</u> in the newsletter or on your website.

World Book Day

Date: 7 March 2024

Why not promote books about active travel? For a list of recommended active-travel themed titles including Chris Hoy's children's book series <u>Flying Fergus</u> and Quentin Blakes' <u>Mrs Armitage on Wheels</u> contact <u>sta@ealing.gov.uk</u> Use <u>STARS activity card for World Book Day</u> and amend the title to 'World Book Day'

Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel 2024 Date: 11 March to 22 March 2024

Be a contender in this national event where schools aim to record the most active travel journeys in one week. <u>Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel 2024</u> has all the details and a selection of dynamic resources to engage pupils with. We have also produced an event guide <u>Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel</u> on EGFL.

British Science Week 2024

Date: 8 March – 17 March 2024

Why not do a lesson on gears and ratios in relation to a bicycle? Try these lesson plans:

- Riding uphill
- Pulling a piano uphill using bicycles

STARS activity card for British Science Week 2024

Amend title to 'British Science Week'

Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel

Date: 11 March to 22 March

A national event where schools record how many active travel journeys they make in one week. <u>Sustrans</u> <u>Big Walk and Wheel</u> has all the details. We have also produced <u>The Big Walk and Wheel Toolkit</u> on EGFL. To upload your story use the STARS activity card for The Big Walk and Wheel

April

Easter Holidays

Date: 29 March - 12 April 2024

Earth Day 2024 - Earth Day

Date: 22 April 2024







Teach the children about air quality or have a Car-free Day.

<u>STARS activity card for Air Quality lessons</u> – Amend title to 'Earth Day – Clean Air'

<u>STARS activity card for Car-free Day</u>

Beep Beep! Day | Brake (EYFS)

Date: 24 April 2024, but can be held any day

Road safety charity Brake have produced a resource set to teach young children about road safety, and educate parents and carers about how to keep them safe when out and about.

STARS activity card for Beep Beep Day

Amend title to 'Beep Beep Day'

May

Bank Holiday

Date: 6 May 2024

SATS for KS1 & KS2

Date: May 2024 KS1 SATS

Date: 13 May - 16 May 2024 KS2 SATS

Date: 10 June – 14 June Year 1 Phonics screening check week

Date: 3 June - 14 June Multiplication tables check

Walk To School Week 2024

Date: 20 to 24 May

A five-day challenge organised by the charity Living Streets, which aims to improve the walking environment as well as get more people engaging in active travel. A range of resources will be available, including stickers and wallcharts, to encourage classes to get strolling, scooting and wheeling over the week.

<u>Register for Walk to School Week 2024 (livingstreets.org.uk)</u> TfL Travel for Life (STARS) also has the Activity card <u>Walk to School Week (tfl.gov.uk)</u> to make your participation count towards Accreditation.

Green Transport Week

Date: TBC (24 June - 1 July) An annual celebration of sustainable transport, highlighting the environmental impact of transport. Join in with a Walk to School Day.

STARS activity card for Green Transport Week

Half Term

Date: 27 May - 31 May 2024

Half term holiday cycle training courses

Date: TBC

To find out more, get in touch on sta@ealing.gov.uk







June

Hands Up Survey

You should plan to carry out your pupil and staff survey this half term and add the data to STARS Instructions on STARS

World Environment Day

Date: 5 June 2024

STARS activity card for World Environment Day

Bike Week

Date: 10 June – 16 June 2024 STARS activity card for Bike Week

Go Green for Clean Air Day

Date: TBC (15 June 2023)

STARS activity card for Go Green for Clean Air Amend title to 'Go Green For Clean Air Day'

Brake Kids walk

Date: TBC

STARS activity card for Brake Kid's Walk

July

Vision Zero Week

(TfL road safety campaign)

Date: TBC

Last day of term

Date: 29 July 2024

Summer holiday cycle training courses

Date: TBC

To find out more, get in touch on sta@ealing.gov.uk

Activities for any month of the year

Beep Beep! Days | Brake (EYFS)

Date: Any

STARS activity card for Beep Beep Day

Amend title to 'Beep Beep Day'





