

How to Produce a Fantastic Noticeboard

A guide for the JTA noticeboard
competition

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EALING COUNCIL

Well done entering our JTA noticeboard competition! The deadline for submission is **Wednesday 11th December 2019**.

Why should you have a noticeboard?

- Creating a noticeboard is a great way to promote your school travel activities and get more people interested in travelling sustainably
- Gain wider recognition in the school and externally for the good work you are doing to promote active travel
- Designing and creating it is a fun activity for the JTAs
- This is a STARS activity, getting you one step closer to accreditation, or helping you to maintain if you are already accredited.

STARS activity card: 'School travel noticeboard and web page'

<https://stars.tfl.gov.uk/Explore/Idea/Details/57>

Why enter our JTA noticeboard competition?

- Gain the chance to win one of our awesome prizes for your school and JTAs!
 - It counts as an extra story (in addition to your noticeboard story) on your STARS travel plan. Upload the story using the STARS activity card: 'Other travel competition'
- <https://stars.tfl.gov.uk/Explore/Idea/Details/1080>
- Have fun being creative, for example by learning a craft using recycled materials, inspiring the pupils to be creative and resourceful.

What we are looking for in a fantastic noticeboard:

- Information about your STARS travel plan/accreditation e.g. what level you are working towards/what award you have achieved
- A section about your JTAs (why not introduce them?)
- Information about past active travel events
- Information about future active travel events
- Displayed somewhere visible (i.e. not just in a classroom but somewhere the whole school can see)
- Something eye catching and with a bit of flare!

Covering all the above criteria will help you make the most of your noticeboard. Pretty is great but we want to see the content too!

How to enter

Simply create your noticeboard with the help of your JTAs, send us a photo (or several) via email to sta@ealing.gov.uk by the end of Wednesday 11th December 2019. One entry per school. Winner(s) will be announced by 17th December 2019.

Decoration

Below are some ideas on how to decorate your noticeboard to make it eye catching and interesting.

- 1) Using recycled bike parts to decorate. (All these parts can usually be collected free of charge from local bike shops, for example inner tubes, chains, disc brakes, chain rings and rear cassettes).

Using bike parts to make shapes:

This model is made out of cleaned bike chains (with liquid degreaser from bike shops) and disc brakes. Could you use paperclips for the rest?



Using bike wheels as a centre piece or to hold images:

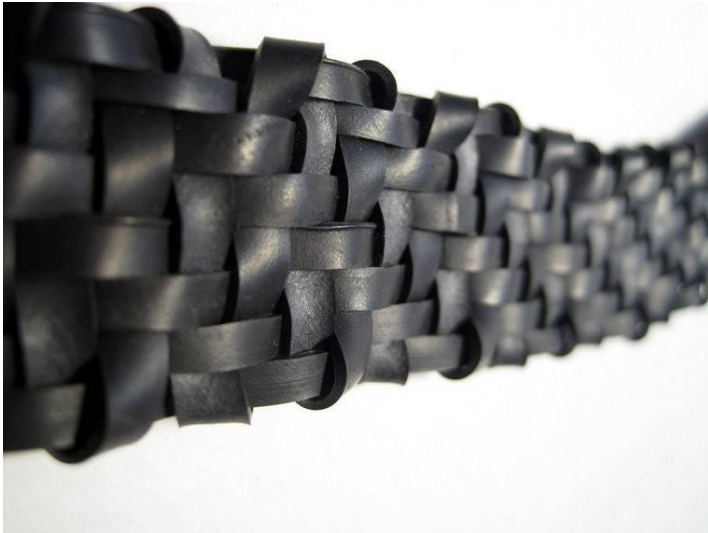


Wrap around either real pine tree branches or you can buy fake branches in tinsel lengths. Attach pine cones (why not collect them in the park with the JTAs?) as well as ribbons and anything else decorative. (left)

Either slip in pictures into the spokes (clean first with washing up liquid!) or clip in with pegs (right).

Using bike inner tubes to create garlands and borders (right):

Chop inner tubes into lots of small rings and thread through with a needle and thread to attach them into a garland. Alternatively try weaving ribbon in between. Try spray painting them first to get coloured rings!



You could try chopping up inner tubes into long thin ribbons and then weaving them together to form a border.

Alternatively, cut them into 5cm wide strips and cut shapes into them, for example like in this video:

<https://fashion-design.wonderhowto.com/how-to/make-inner-tube-bracelets-303800/>

2) Bored of your borders? Try using some recycled paper to make interesting shapes!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n912k5C2QLg> – shell chains and leaves on a stem

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M_SgPEqc-7s – symmetrical cut out pattern

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I_-7slfQ65g – A fan of Cadbury's roses? This makes a great excuse to buy some! Use the foil wrappers to decorate.



<https://i.pinimg.com/736x/54/73/24/5473244649215c57867eed8dc77c8c28--crepe-paper-decorations-crepe-paper-crafts.jpg>

- garlands out of coloured paper strips.

With the festive holidays a short time off, you are welcome to decorate your noticeboard using traditional Christmas decorations or even make it seasonal themed! If you choose to do this however, make sure that it does not look bare when the seasonal decorations are removed later in the year.

Or

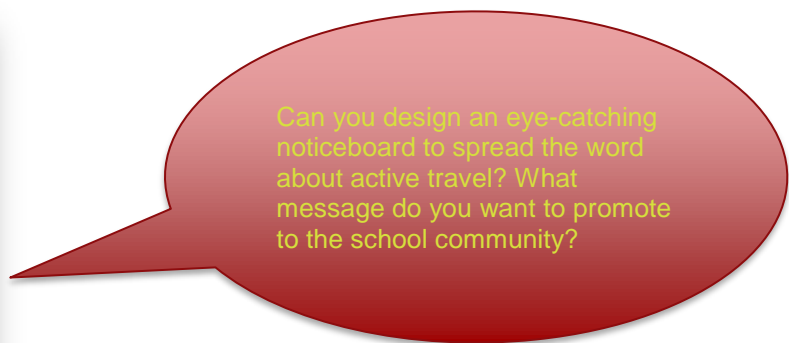


<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3xXj2ezubjw> for ideas on how to make your borders look like children holding hands.

2018 Entries

Let's have a look at some of last year's entries:

The winners: St Raphael's Catholic Primary School, Northolt



Runners up:

Tudor Primary School, Southall



Oaklands Primary School, Hanwell

