

Translink Travel Challenge



- The challenge is a competition where pupils in school try to change their transport habits for 2 weeks (or more!)
- Pupils try to bus, bike, hike, train, scoot, even hop to school instead of just taking the car, and they record their results.
- Pupils can, for example walk in groups, take the bus/train or form a cycle group!

What's good about it?

- Positively changing your travelling habits reduces the amount of pollution and carbon in the atmosphere
- It's healthy
- It's more sociable
- It's fun
- It wakes you up
- You could win a prize!
- It will help your school work

towards the Eco-Schools Green Flag award





How to take part

 Pupils record how they travel to and from school each day for the 2 week period on a personal tally sheet or class wall chart



Think of creative ways to promote your Travel Challenge – have fun!!

Prize Categories

Prizes

Most Eco-Journeys

Post- Primary £150 *and* bus or rail journey for 1 class

As % of total eco-journeys travelled by pupils

Greatest change away from car use by pupils

Most Improved Class

Primary £150 *and* bus or rail journey for 1 class

Best Pupil

All Schools £50 book token and family travel ticket for the winning pupil Nominate your Transport Hero. The most inspiring pupil who really sets the standard high for sustainable transport to school with a short explanation why.

School Trip Prize Draw

ULSTERBUS TOURS ECO-SCHOOLS PRIZE DRAW!

All schools who complete the Translink Travel Challenge and submit their results by the deadline **Tuesday 19th May 2020** will be entered into a prize draw to **WIN a** <u>day</u> trip to Dublin including: guided tour of Croke Park OR the Aviva Stadium, coach directly to/from school.

Planning a school trip? Need bespoke group travel arrangements?



Ulsterbus Tours provide a wide range of good value educational tours and private hire services specifically catering for school requirements.

Call 028 9033 7004 or click <u>www.ulsterbustours.com</u> for more details.

Examples of how to get started

- Walk to school with friends or create a walking bus
- Be competitive
- Take the bus with friends
- Have a 'Bike for Breakfast' day



Work out how many eco-miles you could save. Magherafelt Primary School set themselves a 'Lap the Lough Challenge'. They saved 1183½ eco-miles as a school and 'Lapped the Lough' 14 times!

Submit your results

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- The Travel Challenge can be run any term. So you have more flexibility to take part in any 2 weeks which suit you. Do the challenge more than once if you wish! The latest date you can start is 4th May 2020.
- Record your results on the wall chart or individual tally chart and submit via the Eco-Schools online Data Zone.
- Send your results to <u>Francesca.DiPalo@keepnorthernireland</u> <u>beautiful.org</u> by 19th May 2020 to be in with a chance of winning a prize!
- Receive your prize/certificate at the Translink Celebration Event in June.

Good Luck!!