

Dear Parents/Carers,

This year, our school will once again be working with the charity 'Sustrans' - a UK charity committed to making it easier for people to walk and cycle.



One of the many projects that they run is the 'Bike It' program which will see local Sustrans officer – John Clode – working alongside our Junior School to encourage as many children and families to walk, cycle or scoot to and from school (making it as safe and accessible to do so). On **Thursday 29th September**, John, along with a fellow bike mechanic, is coming to HJS to run a **Bike Dr session** where he will check children's bikes throughout the day. Ensuring each bike is safe to cycle, he will be mainly checking tyres, brakes and chains. Children need to just bring their bike into school, as they normally would, and, depending on numbers, John will be able to give it a free check over.

➤ **How much is this service?**

Free.

➤ **What if my child's bike doesn't get looked at?**

They will endeavour to check as many bikes as possible but realistically will not be able to look at each and everyone's bikes. There will be more Bike Dr sessions throughout the year.

➤ **What if I don't want them to check my child's bike?**

That is absolutely fine. Your child will store their bike in a different area on the playground and these bikes will not be checked.

➤ **What if my child's bike needs a lot of work done?**

John will write a note with what needs to be done and leave it on the bike to be seen at the end of the day.

Secondly, '**Cycle to School Week**' is running from Monday 3rd October to Friday 7th October where we will be looking for as many children as possible to cycle or scoot to school. If your child is unable to cycle to school, hopefully they are able to walk instead. The class with the most children cycling and scooting across the week will win a prize!

Any questions, please do get in touch.

Mr Wright

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