



## OAKINGTON C of E (A) PRIMARY SCHOOL

From next Monday 18th April we would like as many people to cycle (or scoot) to school as possible - because we're racing in **THE BIG PEDAL!**

### What is The Big Pedal?

The Big Pedal is a giant inter-school cycling competition happening in schools all across the UK for two weeks from 18th - 29th April.

### How does it work?

On each day of the challenge schools compete to see who can record the greatest proportion of pupils, staff, parents and siblings cycling or scooting to school. A school's best five days will determine their final position. We have a chance of a prize any day that 15% or more of us cycle or scoot, and if we clock up the most bike and scooter journeys (relative to school size), we'll win!



### My child can't cycle yet...

That's OK, they can scoot, come on a balance bike or bike with stabilisers, or a tag-along bike.

### We live in another village.

Can you get a scooter (or a bike??) in the car? Then drive to the Pavilion car park and scoot to school from there - that will count. Some out-of-Oakington families take up the challenge of the Big Pedal to try out a cycle ride to school - it might be easier than you think.

### We really live too close to cycle.

How about going the long way round on a few days to give your child the chance to cycle? Or could they cycle to pick up a friend?

### I come on my bike too.

Great! Parents and little brothers and sisters who cycle (or scoot) to school earn extra points!

### We can't cycle or scoot every day.

Just have a go whenever you can!

### What are the Oakington Special Extras?

Although we have done very well in the national competition in the past, to make it even more fun we have some in-school competition as well. Big Pedal Teddy will be visiting the class who does best each day. On some days housepoints and stickers will be awarded to everyone who cycles or scoots - and there will be a few extra special prizes too!

### Why are we taking part?

We think it's a fantastic way to promote cycling in our school and to get more pupils riding their bikes. What's more it's a fun, sociable way to start the day and we'll be competing to become one of the UK's top cycling schools!

### What's next?

All you need to do is encourage your child(ren) to cycle or scoot to school every day during the event, and join them on their way - parent and sibling journeys count too!