



OAKINGTON C of E (A) PRIMARY SCHOOL

From Monday 20th March 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 the last two weeks of term, from 20th - 31st March.

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!

Will my child get housepoints?

Although we have done very well in the national competition in the past, to make it even more fun this year it will be an iron as n-school inter-house competition as well. Your child will be get a Big Pedal card which they can get stamped in the playground when they arrive by bike or scooter, to earn housepoints. Each day we'll see which of Dragon, Griffin, Centaur or Phoenix are pedalling the most - look out for the 'racetrack' in school!

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!