

Bling your bike

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About this activity

Suitable for nursery and primary school pupils.

Bling your bike (or sparkle your scooter) invites your pupils to ride their bicycle or scooter to school and then have fun decorating it ready for a grand parade. It encourages active travel and creativity and is suitable for all pupils who have their own bike or scooter.

At the end of the activity, pupils can parade their blinged-up bikes and sparkled scooters around the playground whilst teachers select the best entries to win a prize. Parents and carers can also be invited to cheer on the parade.

What you'll need

- Once you have a theme you can either purchase decorations or ask for donations from the school community, or you may already have some materials you could use.
- If your school has difficulty finding the time or resources needed, invite pupils to decorate their bikes or scooters at home then ride them into school for a parade and competition.

How it helps

This activity counts towards cycling and scooting travel activity

- Supports the PSHE and Art and Design Curriculum.
- Uses creativity to encourage active travel.
- Builds cycling/scooting confidence.

This activity can count towards your Modeshift

STARS accreditation: Travel activity - C16-C18

Supporting: Promotion PR1, PR7,

Curriculum CU1, CU8, Partnership P3



Activity steps

- 1. Get planning**

Form a team or work with your school travel working group to agree the best date for the activity and find out if there is budget available. Alternatively ask for decoration donations from the school community.
- 2. Choose your theme**

Inspire creativity in your pupils by having fun with your theme.
- 3. Send out blingvites**

Send out an information letter with a permission slip for parents/carers and ask them to join you for the grand parade!
- 4. Go bling crazy...**

Have fun with your pupils creating their themed bikes and scooters and bring your own to join in the fun!
- 5. The grand parade**

Take lots of photos of the grand parade and congratulate your winners with prizes or medals for their efforts.
- 6. Tell your story**

Sign in to Modeshift STARS to add your story and include pupils' feedback. Explain the activity and add photos and any posters or promotional materials. Feedback to your borough officer.