



Take a step (or pedal) in the right direction

Cycle to School Week is back for 2026!

From **Monday 5 to Friday 9 October 2026**, schools and families across the nation will be taking a new route to the school gate — one that's quicker, healthier, cheaper and a whole lot more fun.

Cycle to School Week is a national celebration of everyday cycling. Whether you're already rolling or just getting started, it's your chance to build confidence, try something new, and discover how good the school run can feel on wheels.

At Archibald we have made a great start to the school year walking, wheeling, scooting and cycling to school. No Car Day was a great success too!

Let's keep this going and see how many of us can keep this active start and end to the school day going!

Did you know....

The real cost of the school run

Every journey has a cost — but not always the one you expect. This year's Cycle to School Week shines a light on the **real cost of getting to school**, and how choosing to cycle can change the journey for the better.

We're looking at what the school run "costs" families across the nation — not just money, but time, wellbeing, and the world around us. Together, they tell a simple story: small changes in how we travel can make a big difference to everyday life.



On average in the UK, the school run costs families **£109 per year***.

Pedal power requires a one-off investment with minimal running costs — no fuel, no tax, and no parking fees. A simpler way to get from A to B... by Cycle!



The school run can take up nearly **100 hours*** across the school year. That's time lost to congestion and drop-off queues.

The average primary school journey is just a 15-minute cycle. Less rush, more ride!



Bring some fun to the school run!

Cycling helps children build confidence and independence while starting the day in a calmer, more active way. Helping pupils arrive at school energised and ready for the day ahead.



Every short car journey adds to congestion and air pollution around schools.

Switching the school run from car to cycle for a whole school year could save around **307kg*** — helping create cleaner air and healthier streets for children.