

# Transport for Young London

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22  
Sept

STARS Car-Free  
Day

23-24  
Sept

Autumn Ambles

Oct

International  
Walk to School  
Month

20-26  
Nov

Road Safety Week

Nov

STARS Regional  
Seminars

Dec

STARS Top  
Schools Seminar

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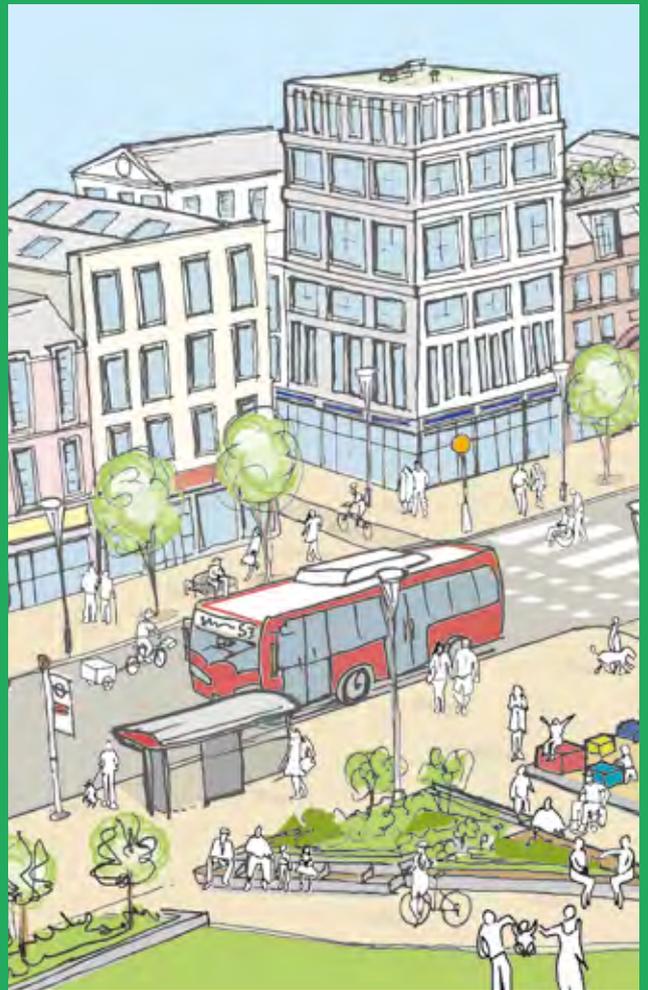
# Mayor's transport plans for London – have your say

Mayor Sadiq Khan wants to hear what you think about his plans for transport in the Capital over the next 25 years.

His proposals are set out in the Mayor's Transport Strategy and focus on improving the health of Londoners. It includes ambitious targets for tackling air quality and to increase walking and cycling, especially among children and young people.

The work you do in schools will be key to delivering this.

The consultation is open until 2 October. To read more and to have your say, visit the [Mayor's Transport Strategy](#)



## STARS news



### Accreditation

Congratulations to our new STARS (Sustainable Travel: Active, Responsible, Safe) schools and a huge thank you to all schools who applied for accreditation last year. You will be able to see your accreditation level on the [STARS website](#).

Schools have shared some fantastic stories online. Get inspired and check out the details on the [STARS website](#).

If your school has any ideas for brand-new activities you would like to share, email us at [stars@tfl.gov.uk](mailto:stars@tfl.gov.uk)

### Seminars

Attend one of our new-look STARS accreditation seminars this autumn! This year, they'll be more fun and interactive with a range of workshops to choose from.

Celebrate your school's successes, network with other schools, and improve your accreditation level.

For more details visit our registration site, contact your borough officer, or email us at [stars@tfl.gov.uk](mailto:stars@tfl.gov.uk)

## Autumn Ambles

Join our free guided walks weekend, Autumn Ambles, on 23–24 September.

There will be 40 walks taking place, from short strolls to challenging hikes, all starting and finishing within easy reach of public transport and led by experienced guides.

We have a series of family walks called Family Favourites, which feature a fun-filled quiz for children, and the popular Animal I-Spy stroll.

It's a great way to get active and explore the spectacular views and sights London has to offer.

Book a free place at [www.walklondon.org.uk](http://www.walklondon.org.uk)

## Start Your Journey early

We hope your school received its copies of TfL's Start Your Journey transition resource for last year's Year Six pupils.

You told us you wanted to receive the packs earlier, and we listened. We are planning to send out this year's resource in May.

The materials are borough-specific and will include supporting lesson plans for Year Six teachers.

To ensure we send you the right amount of copies, email us with your Year Six pupil numbers at [schoolsandyoungpeople@tfl.gov.uk](mailto:schoolsandyoungpeople@tfl.gov.uk)



## New Early Years sessions at museum

London Transport Museum in Covent Garden are offering new nursery sessions which take youngsters on a sensory journey through London's transport system.

Called All Aboard, the sessions support the Early Years Foundation Stage curriculum and are especially designed for children aged three to four years old to explore transport through song, movement and play.

Led by an expert Early Years facilitator, sessions last 35 minutes and are available every Thursday during term-time. To book, call 020 7565 7298 or email [bookings@ltmuseum.co.uk](mailto:bookings@ltmuseum.co.uk) Free activity ideas are also available online at [ltmuseum.co.uk/learning](http://ltmuseum.co.uk/learning)



## TfL teach tech

Would you like help bringing the Maths, Computing, Science and Geography curricula to life?

Specialist TfL ambassadors are available to come to your school to challenge and inspire your students with real-life scenarios and activities, showing how we use technology and data to keep London moving.

We'll show students how we weigh a train, find patterns in our passenger data to improve public transport, and how to produce clear charts and tables.

And if anyone wants to know how long a traffic light may stay green at a crowded junction during rush-hour, we'll show you how our software predicts queues and optimises traffic signal timings.

To arrange a visit, contact [schools@tfl.gov.uk](mailto:schools@tfl.gov.uk)

# That's the ticket as schools break record!

More than 1,000 schools snapped up discounted tickets to the 2017 World Para Athletics Championships in London in July.

In a scheme launched by Mayor of London Sadiq Khan in January, thousands of school children paid just £3 for tickets and accompanying adults went for free, to watch the world-class event. The discounted tickets were secured along with free travel on TfL's transport network for all children and adults attending from London schools.

The event also broke several records. One session was watched by 24,354 young people, the largest at any

sporting event. It was also the largest crowd of the Championships, and the largest number of school children ever moved across London by TfL to a single location.

British wheelchair bronze medallist Richard Chiassaro said competing in front of thousands of school kids was his highlight of the championships.

TfL's **school travel party scheme** gives free travel to educational, sporting and cultural venues in London.

## Get out and about with the London Curriculum!

If you want to make London your classroom, check out the Mayor's London Curriculum. It uses the Capital to bring the national curriculum to life at Key Stages 2 and 3.

Join the programme and you'll get teaching resources to motivate your students. You'll also be able to enjoy evening events for teachers at the London Curriculum Lates, and a range of activities for students.

The GLA want to support every school in London and help teachers connect students to their communities and city.



With Key Stage 2 lesson plans in English, Science, Art and Design, History and Religious Studies, the London Curriculum is free and easy to use.

To get started visit [london.gov.uk/london-curriculum](http://london.gov.uk/london-curriculum)

## London Ambitions Portal

Inspire your pupils this term by joining this new website funded by the Mayor of London, which makes it easy for schools to connect with the world of work.

From local businesses to top museums and galleries, there are lots of fantastic offers for young Londoners.

Help your pupils broaden their horizons and raise their aspirations from the earliest age. There are a range of exciting trips and resources on offer.

Sign up today at **London Ambitions Portal** or for more information contact [londonambitions@london.gov.uk](mailto:londonambitions@london.gov.uk)



## Views wanted on special needs education

The London Assembly Education Panel wants to hear your experiences of Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) provision in London schools.

The panel is exploring the challenges to providing access to SEND provision and how the Mayor can help.

To contribute, email [EducationPanel@london.gov.uk](mailto:EducationPanel@london.gov.uk) with your views by 18 September 2017.

For more information and guidance visit the [London Assembly website](#).

# Spotlight on Kingston and Sutton

Sustainable transport officer Patrick Long encourages all schools to sign up to the Junior Travel Ambassador (JTA) scheme.

JTA runs throughout the year, and with every season there are activities that JTAs can be doing to help their classmates travel more safely and sustainably - from a launch event in October through to monthly reminders and a celebration event in June.

Patrick says, 'Every October, we hold a seminar to induct the JTAs into their roles. They learn how to run competitions in school and, importantly, how to deliver assemblies. It's also a chance for the new JTAs to share ideas and collaborate with other nearby schools. They all receive the JTA handbook to help them with their duties, plus a suite of extra resources on a memory stick that they can explore back at school.'

'After that we send the JTAs a monthly note, giving them some tips on what they might want to do. For example, in October there are tips on 'Be Safe, Be Seen' as the days get



darker. Then in June, schools are given the chance to nominate their JTAs as Junior Travel Ambassadors of the Year.'

The 2016/17 winning school, the Federation of St Elphege's in Sutton, were invited to a special JTA cycle-fest event at the new 'Go - Mini Holland' cycle track and landscaped area in Kingston, where they were presented with their certificates of achievement by Sadiq Khan, the Mayor of London. They also enjoyed a led ride, a static bike challenge and cycle-powered scalextric!

To sign up to the **JTA programme**, contact your borough Road Safety Officer or School Travel Adviser.

## Are you ready for JTA?

As we enter the new academic year, make sure your Junior Travel Ambassadors are equipped with all the resources they will need to help them in their role. The JTA guide, hi-vis waistcoat, pen, pencil, pin badge and display plaque can all be requested from your borough officer.

