

Bike It 'Adopt a School' pilot project

Role Description: Bike It Volunteer (Kent)

Time:

2-3 days during the summer term 2011 (weekdays, term-time, activities during May-July)

Role Purpose:

As a Bike It Volunteer with this project you will be allocated to a local primary school in Canterbury or Ashford, and will be asked to complete at least three of the activities listed below.

The Bike It officer for Canterbury and Ashford has worked intensively with your allocated school during the course of the previous academic year (2009/2010) or this academic year (2010-11) to encourage more children to cycle to school, and achieve Bronze level status of the Bike It School Mark scheme (see details below).

Your role will be to help continue the momentum of the project within your allocated school for a further year, with the ultimate aim of the school achieving Silver status by the end of the year, 2010/11.

Key Relationships:

You will work closely with the:

- Bike It officer for Canterbury and Ashford
- A school teacher (Cycling Champion)
- Volunteer Coordinator for South East
- Children, parents, teachers

Activities:

You will be expected to complete at least three of the following during May/June/July 2011:

- **Bling your Bike session** (1-2 hours) – prize for the best decorated bike cycled to school that day
- **Assembly** (up to 30 minutes) - short talk on anything about cycling
- **Bike It School Mark administration** (ongoing) – keeping a record of each activity (i.e. numbers of bikes at the Brighten up your Bike session)

- **Hands up survey** (2-3 hours) – conducted once at the end of the academic year (July)

We will provide you with:

- Lunch & travel expenses
- Full training
- Information on the Bike It project, the school mark scheme, and organising activities
- H&S guidance
- A Sustrans Bike It branded t-shirt
- CRB check (essential)

NB. On occasion volunteers may be included in photographs taken for publicity which may be used for Sustrans publications or the website.

Bike It School Mark scheme

This is a scheme whereby schools are awarded for achieving certain targets. The scheme consists of three progressive levels for the school to work through and is dependent on schools meeting the set criteria. An 'average' school working at a good pace should hope to achieve the Bronze level by the end of the first year of participation, Silver by the end of the second year, and the Gold level after a further one or two years.

- Bronze – school has worked in partnership with the Bike It officer to bring about change
- Silver – school continues to demonstrate its commitment to the ideals of the Bike It project
- Gold – school has demonstrated on-going commitment to the project over several years which has led to significant change

Further details will be provided.