



# DOBCROFT INFANT SCHOOL ECO TEAM NEWSLETTER FEBRUARY 2021



## Can you support our Eco Team?

If you can offer any time or expertise, please contact us at [ecoteam@dobcroft-inf.sheffield.sch.uk](mailto:ecoteam@dobcroft-inf.sheffield.sch.uk)

## ELIMINATE THE WASTE RECYCLING

The Eco Team are still busy sending off "hard to recycle" items, even in lockdown.

Summary of items we currently collect:

- Baby food & yoghurt pouches
- Crisps, nuts, pretzels, popcorn packets
- Oral care products & packaging
- Wrappers from biscuits, crackers, cheddars and cakes/cake bars

**Plus new addition cheese packaging:**  
All brands of flexible cheese packaging/pouches, individual plastic cheese wrappers, sliced cheese protective film, plastic nets & labels.



**See pages below for more info and other recycling options at DIS**

<https://www.terracycle.com/en-GB/about-terracycle>



Bins are located outside DIS gates & accessible 24 hours a day.

## PRE-LOVED FESTIVE CLOTHING SALE

Thank you to everyone who donated or bought jumpers & other items. We raised a brilliant **£100+** for school funds.



Watch this space for the next sale to be organised...

## ABBEY LANE CROSSING

Friends of Ecclesall Woods are trying to ask Sheffield City Council for safe road crossings over Abbey Lane, between sections of Ecclesall Woods.

Local feeling is that we urgently need safe ways to cross this busy road to ensure better access for everyone in Sheffield to this beautiful green space.

They have asked us to share the link to the petition below:

[www.change.org/ecclesallwoods\\_abbeylanecrossing](http://www.change.org/ecclesallwoods_abbeylanecrossing)

Contact for questions:

[few.abbeylanecrossing@gmail.com](mailto:few.abbeylanecrossing@gmail.com)

## UPCOMING PROJECTS

**Eco Brick Sculpture** - if you are collecting Eco Bricks at home and would like to donate them to us, please hold on to them and watch this space for information about where & when to donate them to DIS.

**Tree Planting** - we are expecting 60 trees from The Woodland Trust in April and are looking for volunteers to help us plant them. Please contact the Eco Team, on the email address below, if you can help.

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**ELIMINATE THE WASTE RECYCLING**  
**CUT OUT AND KEEP GUIDE**



**Ellycycle**

**Any brand** of baby food pouches, yoghurt pouches & Ella's Kitchen snack wrappers.

**Please rinse pouches first and make sure lids are on to avoid contamination.**



**Crisps & Snacks**

**Any brand** of crisps, nuts, pretzels & popcorn packets **and** multipack outer packaging.

**Please no other form of confectionery packages eg: sweet or biscuit wrappers.**



**Oral Care Products**

**Any brand** of toothpaste tubes & caps, toothbrushes, electric toothbrush heads, toothbrush outer packaging, toothpaste boxes.

**Please rinse items first to remove excess toothpaste etc.**



**Biscuit, Cracker, Cake Wrappers**

Wrappers from **any brand** of biscuits, crackers, cheddars and cakes/cake bars.

**Please no other form of confectionery packages eg: sweet wrappers or crisp packets.**



**Cheese Packaging**

**All brands** of flexible cheese packaging/pouches, individual plastic cheese wrappers, sliced cheese protective film, plastic nets and labels.

**Please no other form of cheese packaging eg: tubs/trays, cardboard, aluminium, wax wrapping or squeeze tubes.**



**Please only put the named items in the bins as any contamination will mean the whole binful will be rejected and not recycled.**





## MORE RECYCLING AT DOBCROFT INFANT SCHOOL

As well as our Terracycle partnership, Dobcroft Infant School also has facilities to recycle the following items:



### Second Hand Uniform

**Please donate any good quality, unwanted uniform to the school office.**

We can re-sell at our regular pre-loved uniform sales to raise money for the school.



### Big Battery Hunt

We have our **Big Battery Hunt** collection box in the office foyer.

Drop your batteries off here and help to reduce the 20,000 tonnes of batteries that end up in landfill sites each year in the UK.

<https://www.bigbatteryhunt.co.uk/>



### Textiles & Shoes

You can also recycle your **textiles & shoes** in the big grey recycling bin at the front of the main school gates.

More information from the side of the collection bin...

Yes please (in tied bags):

- ~ All clothing
- ~ All household textiles (eg: sheets, blankets, towels, curtains)
- ~ Handbags & belts
- ~ Paired footwear

No thank you:

- ~ Duvets & pillows
- ~ Soiled or wet rags
- ~ Carpets or rugs
- ~ Bric-a-brac



**Supporting our recycling efforts not only keeps these items from landfill but also raises funds for the school.**





# DOBCROFT INFANT SCHOOL

## ECO TEAM

### PARK & STRIDE



Travel to  
Dobcroft Infant  
School



#### YOUR TRAVEL OPTIONS FOR THE JOURNEY TO SCHOOL

##### Take to the street on your feet

Walking to school is free, fun and gives you and your child valuable time together before the school day – something you can't do when you're focusing on driving.

Walking is suitable for all ages and fitness levels and is a great way for you and your kids to get active.

By walking to school, you will be breathing in cleaner air than those sat in their cars and will be helping to reduce the number of cars outside the school gates, making the school journey safer for everyone.



##### Swap 4 wheels for 2; cycle or scoot

Riding your bike or scooter to school is one of the best forms of exercise for young people. Cycling and scooting helps your child easily build physical activity into their daily routine.

It is also a huge money saver with those choosing two wheels over four seeing a reduction in fuel costs of more than £400 a year!



The STARS South Yorkshire project focuses on promoting active and sustainable travel to pupils, parents and teachers across the region through the delivery of fun, engaging and educational activities. The ultimate aim is to encourage everyone to lead a healthy and active lifestyle, starting with the journey to and from school.



This is our active travel map with a 5/10 minute walk zone around school - perfect for Park and Stride



@SY\_STARS Awards



Produced by [www.pindarcreative.co.uk](http://www.pindarcreative.co.uk)

##### Enjoy the ride, then park & stride

It may not be possible for you to walk all the way from your home to school, but it is worth trying to walk at least some of the way.

Avoid the stress of trying to park outside the school gates by parking a little further away from the school gates and walking the rest of the way.

Use this map to find somewhere to park at least 5-minutes away from school so that you can build some exercise into your day and avoid emitting harmful pollutants from your car into the air directly around the school.

##### Much less fuss if you take the bus

Travelling by bus, train or tram is a great way to get to school if you have a longer distance to travel but want to leave the car at home.

It is also great for the environment; a full bus can take up to 40 cars off the road meaning there is less pollution and congestion. You will still be getting some of your daily active minutes as the walk to and from the bus stop counts as exercise!

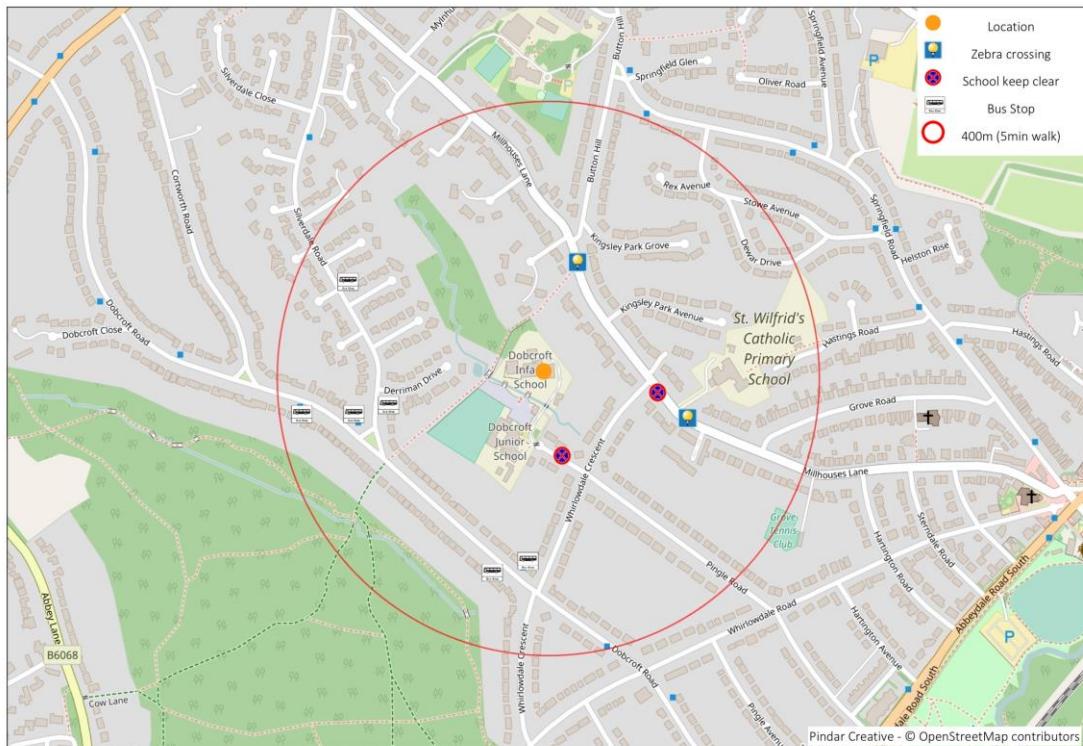
To see a huge range of value for money child tickets available and to plan your journey and view live public transport information visit [travelsouthyorkshire.com](http://travelsouthyorkshire.com).



##### Get Involved

From getting children and young people active, creating safer school environments, improving Air Quality around schools and boosting educational attainment, the benefits of getting active on the journey to school are huge!

Morning exercise improves your mood, lowers stress and increases concentration!



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