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Dear Parents/Carers

Sawbridgeworth Travel Challenge For Better Air Quality

We are very pleased to announce the Sawbridgeworth Travel Challenge is returning this month, with primary schools around the town taking part in a week-long initiative to promote sustainable journeys to school to improve air quality for everyone.

Now in its ninth year, this national award-winning scheme will run from Monday 22nd to Friday 26th September ending with a brand-new Air-Mazing Saturday on 27th September from 11am to 2pm at Sawbridgeworth Cricket Club Ground (Town Fields) organised by Sawbridgeworth Town Council with support from Coop Central.

Sunny, our Sawbosaurus, will be helping to promote walking, cycling, scooting and 'parking and striding' (park at least five minutes' walk away) to school. Special air quality passports will be issued to each pupil to be stamped each day they travel to school sustainably. There's no dressing up this year to keep things simple.

Schools will work together to see how many sustainable journeys they can do across all five schools. Representatives from each will be presented with participation certificates and a voucher for their schools to spend on a sustainable project at the Town Council chambers by the Mayor.

Bring the whole family to Air-Mazing Saturday on 27th September to try out fitness and wellbeing activities run by community groups and local businesses at the Cricket Club Ground on Town Fields (next to Bell Street car park CM21 9HJ). Pupils should bring their passports to receive a map to be stamped as they complete each activity before collecting a free fruit kebab at the Coop stall.

Free bicycle checks and minor repairs will also be available from Mobile Cycle Doctor, courtesy of Coop, plus Hertfordshire Police will provide free bicycle marking – so get all the family to bring their bikes along!

Every little bit makes a difference. For one week you and your school can help make air quality better for everyone by reducing car journeys meaning less air pollution, plus being fitter, healthier and more active.

Thank you for your support.

Yours faithfully

Miss Kara Hales
Headteacher

