



Bike Bus to Juniper Green Primary School

Last Friday of every month

What's a bike bus? A collection of children and grown-ups heading to school as a safe and protected group. Confident cyclists will be on the 'outside' of the group. We will cycle in cycle lanes and roads. Experienced ride leaders will manage traffic and ensure less confident people are protected.

Will it be safe? There are many bike buses running in Scotland, with 6 already in Edinburgh – they are designed to provide a very safe and fun way to get to school in an active way. The experienced riders will provide a briefing at the start: you will be looked after! There will be a lot of additional help to provide support!

Who can join? Anyone who can get to the planned route (see map). This is the first ever bike bus to Juniper Green Primary School. We are still exploring routes and demand; we want as many people as possible to have access to a bike bus. We want to take lessons learnt from this to develop routes to serve Baberton. Please contact us if you are interested or able to help organise this.

What do I need to bring? Anything you normally take to school plus a working bike, **helmet** and if you have one, a bike lock. We will provide hi-vis jackets. All children need to have an adult who is responsible for them.

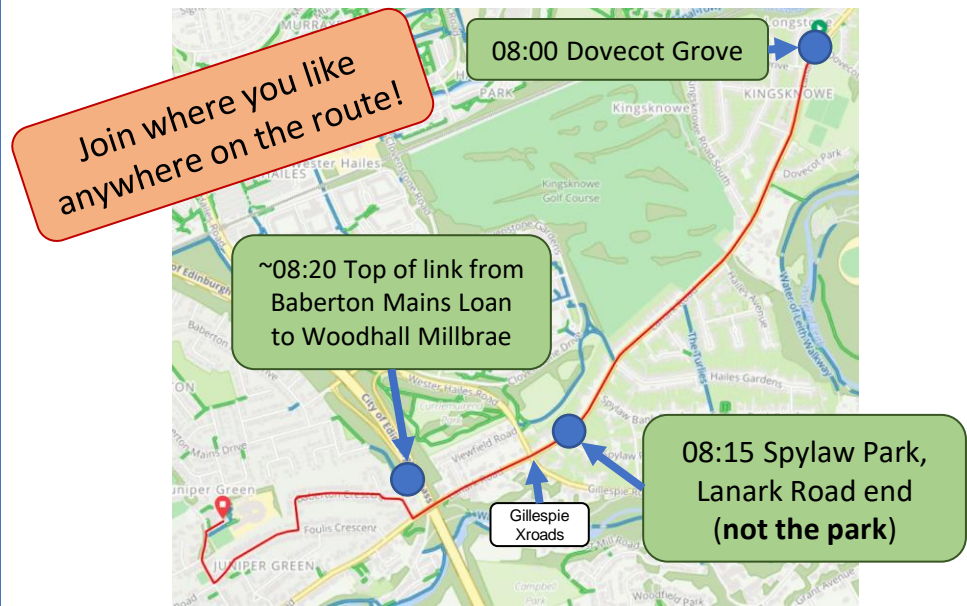
Can only 'good' cyclists come? No—in fact, we encourage people who are developing their confidence: this will be a very safe, fun and gentle event; we will not be racing to school. If, for any reason, you aren't happy (or if Lanark Road is too steep), you can walk your bike on the pavement.

Will there be a bike bus on the way home? We continue to consider this; it is hard for us to get enough volunteers for both the trip to and from school. The return journey is typically easier for most folk as it is not part of rush hour. We welcome ideas about this!

What happens when we get to school? Children are welcome to collect stickers from our marshals. If your child needs help locking up their bike, please find somewhere 'out of the way' to store your bike before helping them. Post ride coffees will take place at Molly's in Juniper Green (everyone welcome).

Who is organising this ride? A group of parents of JGPS children, with support from friends and community groups. This is not a 'led' ride, nor a 'free drop-off' service. Adults are responsible for the children in their care at all times and everyone must ride legally. All necessary authorities have been informed.

Which route will we be using? See map below. We will have a start at Dovecot Park (using the cycle lanes) and another start at Spylaw Park (the road (not the park!), near Gillespie Crossroads). From Gillespie Crossroads, we will head as a single group along Lanark Road to Baberton Crescent. If you are able to join from Baberton, you can join the route from Baberton Mains Loan where it links to Woodhall Millbrae (which then joins to the route at Baberton Crescent). **You can join at any point on the route** but we recommend you joining the virtual briefing (details to be provided) if you intend to do this.



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