

## Terms and Conditions

1. The competition is open to all schools that are participating, or have participated, in An Taisce's Green-Schools Travel programme.
2. Entry to the competition is subject to the following conditions:
  - Entrants must submit a clear legible entry form completing each question.
  - Shortlisted schools may be required to provide additional information to the judging panel to support their entry e.g. in the event of an school visit or photographs or examples of work.
  - All entry forms must include the signature of the coordinator and principal
  - All entries must be submitted online via:
3. Entries must be submitted by **4:00 p.m. on 9<sup>th</sup> March 2022**. An Taisce cannot take any responsibility for any technical failure or malfunction, including but not limited to any affecting upload issues, which may result in any entry being lost or not properly submitted.
4. Schools will be judged based on a) the increase they have achieved in their chosen travel mode; **walking, cycling, scooting, park 'n' stride** or the **bus**, over a 10 weekday period in February and b) innovation and creativity in the promotion of their chosen mode.
5. In the event of being shortlisted, the school consents to a coordinated school visit by members of the judging panel (COVID-19 restrictions depending). Schools **will receive prior notification of the period in which the visit will take place**. The purpose of the visit is to gain more information of the schools Green-Schools Travel programme. The visit may include some of the following – observation of travel modes at the school gate, an informal interview with the Green-Schools co-ordinator and/or other staff members, a meeting with the Green-Schools committee and/or other pupils, an inspection of the school's travel monitoring records which demonstrate school travel patterns and a tour of the school to examine travel work.
6. By submitting an entry for the competition, the school is deemed to have given consent for the entry and all subsequent material gathered by the judging panel in relation to the competition, to be published free of charge by An Taisce's Green-Schools Travel programme in all digital and printed media, including Internet, for all purposes as it wishes.
7. At their discretion, the judging panel may select one winner in each of the following travel modes; **walking, cycling, scooting, park 'n' stride** and the **bus**. Schools should choose their category based on the travel mode where they have focused the greatest promotional efforts or in which they've achieved the most success. One school may be chosen overall as **the BIG TRAVEL CHALLENGE winner!** The judges' decision is final. No correspondence relating to the competition will be entered into.

## **Green-Schools Travel Competition – The BIG TRAVEL Challenge 2022**

8. The prizes consist of:
  - The winning schools in each category will win a cash prize which should be used for Green-School activities.
  - The BIG TRAVEL Challenge winner will receive €1000 to spend on their sustainable travel programme
  - Four runners up will receive €500 to spend on their sustainable travel programme
  - A profile of each winning school and their travel work will be uploaded to the Green-Schools website
  - All winners will be invited to an awards ceremony.
9. Representatives from the winning school must be available to attend the awards ceremony in April or May 2022, either in person or at a virtual online event. Notice will be given of the ceremony date. It will be the school's responsibility to ensure that any pupils/students attending have the requisite parent/guardian consent to attend.
10. Winning schools will be required to give a brief presentation of their travel work and achievements at the awards ceremony. Reasonable notice will be given to allow schools to prepare this presentation.
11. Winning schools will be expected to take part in competition publicity including being photographed by the media. Participating schools must consent to the entry form and all subsequent material associated with the competition being used by An Taisce's Green-Schools Travel programme in all media for all purposes.
12. The winners will be notified within 30 days of the close of the competition by either post /telephone/email, as per the contact details provided in their entry.
13. Confirmation of receipt of entries will be by email only. An email address must be provided for this purpose.
14. An Taisce is unable to return any entries.
15. Entry to the competition constitutes full and unconditional acceptance of these Terms and Conditions.