



Letter to send to schools or local groups

Adapt the following letter to send to your local primary schools, Guides, Brownies, Rainbow & Scout groups.

Ride and Stride - 14th September 2024

Dear **[Insert name]**,

As a church-affiliated school/community group/uniformed organisation, I wonder if you have heard of Ride+Stride?

Traditionally on Ride+Stride Day sponsored individuals, families and friend groups walk or cycle (or horse ride and other more exotic means of transportation) between churches - the majority of churches of all Christian denominations throughout England are open. Half the proceeds from sponsorship goes to the County's Historic Churches Trust and half to the sponsor's own church.

Mindful of the constant need for fund-raising in **schools/community groups/uniformed organisation**, as well as other groups, would you be interested in getting involved in a way that also raises funds for your **school/community group/uniformed organisation**?

An alternative activity might be to arrange a cycle ride around your playground or a sponsored activity where your children play games and arrange through your local church coordinator to share the funds you raise between your school/group/organisation, your church and OHCT.

We would be delighted if you or any of your pupils or colleagues would like to join one of the groups of riders or arrange your own activity. If you would like to find out more, in the first instance please either contact me, your County Organiser, Hilary CakebreadHall - rideandstrideoxon@ohct.org.uk or 07831 690524.

Yours, **[Insert name]**