

2020 Bikeability Awards Programme – NOMINATION FORM

Please carefully read the [Guidance Notes \(click here\)](#) for the Bikeability Awards **before** submitting and completing this nomination. (also available on <https://bikeabilitytrust.org/bikeability-awards/>)

Please send your completed form (and any attachments) by email attachment to contactus@bikeability.org.uk **before noon on** Friday February 28th 2020.

TO NOTE: Only one nomination can be submitted per form.

1. Your Details	
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<p>If not a self-nomination, briefly describe your relationship with the nominee (e.g. work colleague, employer, pupil, other):</p> <p><i>As a Road Safety Officer; I help to coordinate the Cycle Trainers and Road Safety Assistants in all things Bikeability, Road Safety & Travel Awareness to Schools, the General Public, Residents, and Community Groups of Dudley and the surrounding areas.</i></p>	
2. Nominee's Details (main contact)	
<p><i>If submitting a nomination for Trainee of the Year, please provide their name and/or their parent/teacher/carers contact details if more appropriate.</i></p>	
First name: Keith	Surname: Butler (Head Teacher)
Organisation/Group (if applicable): Ashwood Park Primary School	
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<p>Name of award for which he/she/they/the organisation is being nominated (please highlight/underline/select one):</p> <p>A. Instructor of the Year</p>	

- B. Bikeability Provider of the Year
- C. Local Authority/SGO Host School Partner of the Year (outsourced delivery)
- D. School Employee or Governor of the Year
- E. Trainee Rider of the Year (Pete Rollings award)
- F. **Most Proactive Primary School**

1. Please describe below the reason(s) why the nominee deserves this award (maximum 300 words)

NB – you should refer to the award criteria when completing this section and try to explain how the nominee has met some/all of the different qualities described.

When I consider this category, I immediately reflect on Ashwood Park Primary School in Stourbridge:

Ashwood Park exude exceptional qualities in **embedding Bikeability throughout the school in both KS1 and KS2 curriculums**. They have been in receipt of Bikeability for several years and not only offer it as above. But, they also have it in Early Years Foundation Stage, with Balance Bike Training taking place annually for every Nursery child in the school. In KS1 and KS2 they take up the offer of Bikeability Level 1 & 2 and additionally offer Bikeability to their hearing impaired unit. The additional element is some 121 and small group work with hearing impaired children, who are to be in receipt of Level 1 or 2 training, this boosts their skills and knowledge by utilising a bespoke approach prior to their official training sessions. In addition, Dr Bike sessions of bike maintenance have been utilised with a weekly nurture group, with the intention of engaging a small number of disaffected learners. As part of the schools **sustainable and active travel plans** parents are asked to give serious consideration to walking to school, for health and environmental benefits, with the school access having been improved to facilitate this. In addition; all children are given the chance of progression through Bikeability training and as such encouraged to cycle. Working with the Bikeability Team at Dudley Council, Ashwood Park have been successful in loaning Balance Bikes and helmets in order to facilitate a whole class approach to the training offered and delivered in the Early Years Foundation Stage. Also; where necessary though not in such large numbers loaning bikes as and when necessary for KS1 and KS2. The Dr Bike sessions have also been supported by the resources of Dudley Council and continue to be available.

2. Please list below any accompanying high-quality evidence to support your nomination (eg. materials, photographs, video clips, testimonials) *Up to a maximum of 3 items and provide a title for each item(s) in the section(s) below – do NOT include any further written information on the form. Ensure all the attachments listed above accompany your nomination form, and are clearly labelled so it is clear which nominee they apply to. Maximum number of words for each item of accompanying evidence is 300 – submissions that are longer than this will not be considered.*

a. *Email Feedback from the school following Dr Bike with nurture group*

b. *Email Feedback from the school following Balance Bike Training with Nursery*

c.

3. Please briefly describe any other experience or insights you feel are relevant to your nomination. (maximum 300 words)

Though many of Dudley's Primary Schools are proactive in their take up of Bikeability, I really do feel that Ashwood Park have embedded it and normalised it within their school year. They are consistent in their annual approach and diarising of dates, they are consistent in their take up in

KS1 and KS2 and have also been in receipt for several years now of The Early Years Foundation Stage element of Balance Bikes. Their annual take up ensures a whole school approach to training, as all children will at some point enter Year 3 and Year 5. All are included in the offer and encouraged to take up the training. I believe the innovative use of the Dr Bike element with their small disaffected boys nurture group was truly beneficial as can be seen by the attached feedback email alluding to this.

4. I confirm that the information I have provided is accurate, I have permission (as appropriate) from nominee's parent(s) to submit this form/from those people in any materials submitted to share their images/comments. And I have read and agree to the Terms & Conditions.

Name: Sheila Thomas

Signature: 

Date: 6.2.20

To be signed by an independent individual / organisation representative:

I can confirm that I believe this to be an accurate submission and add my support to the application

Name: Wendy Howard

Signature: 

Date: 06/02/20.

Organisation (if applicable): Dudley MBC (Senior Officer)