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APRIL '24  
SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL PROGRAM



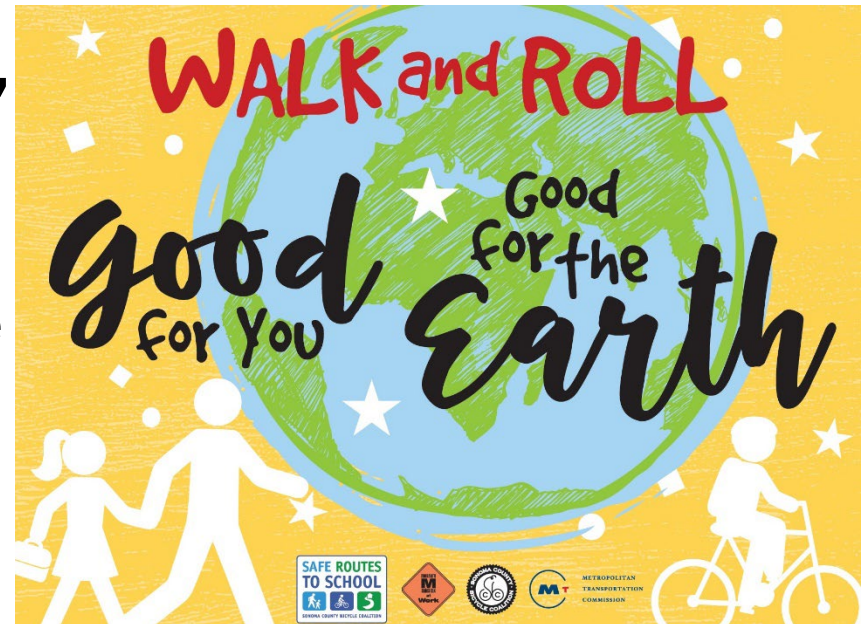
# SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL GOALS

More students/families walk, bike, scoot, skate for transportation

Kids/families know how to be safe while doing so

Barriers to active transportation are identified & engineering improvements are made

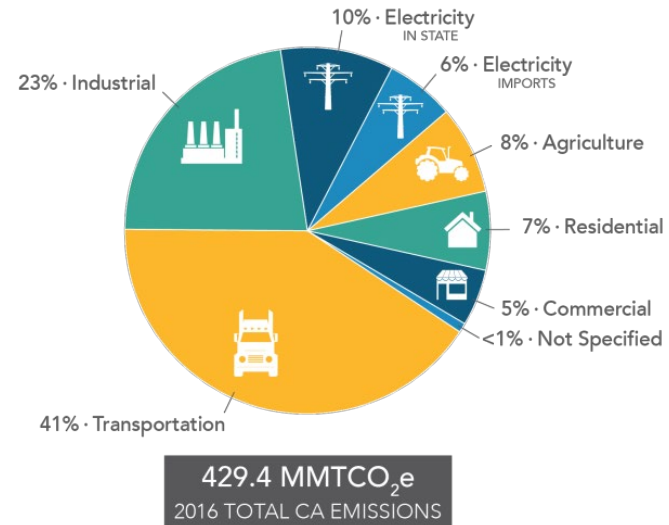
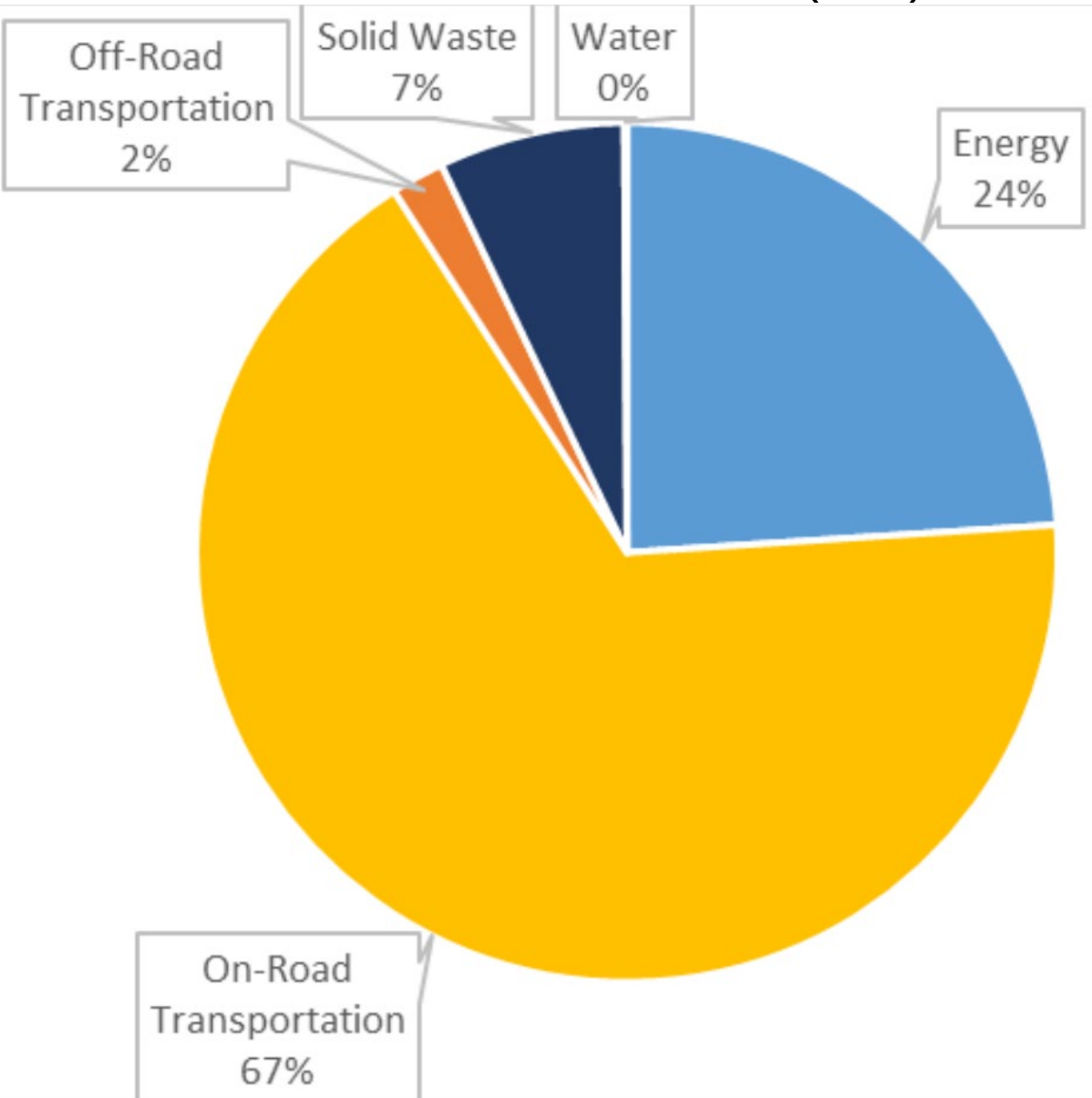
Community is more connected and aware of the benefits of SRTS to their health & the environment.



# WHY SRTS?

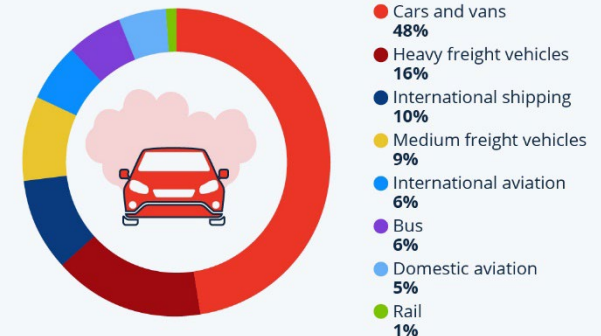
## PETALUMA & CALIFORNIA TOTAL ANNUAL GHG EMISSIONS

(2018)



### Cars Cause Biggest Share of Transportation CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions

Estimated share of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in the transportation sector worldwide in 2022, by transport type



Source: IEA, Statista



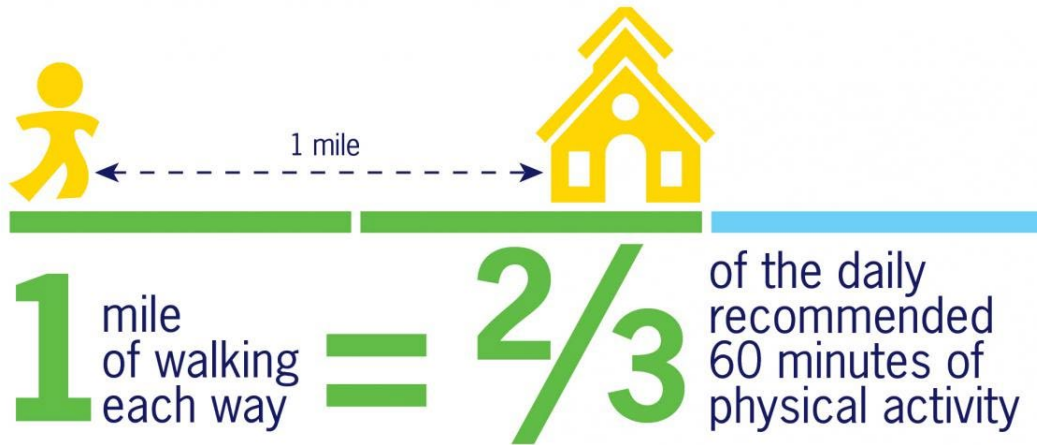
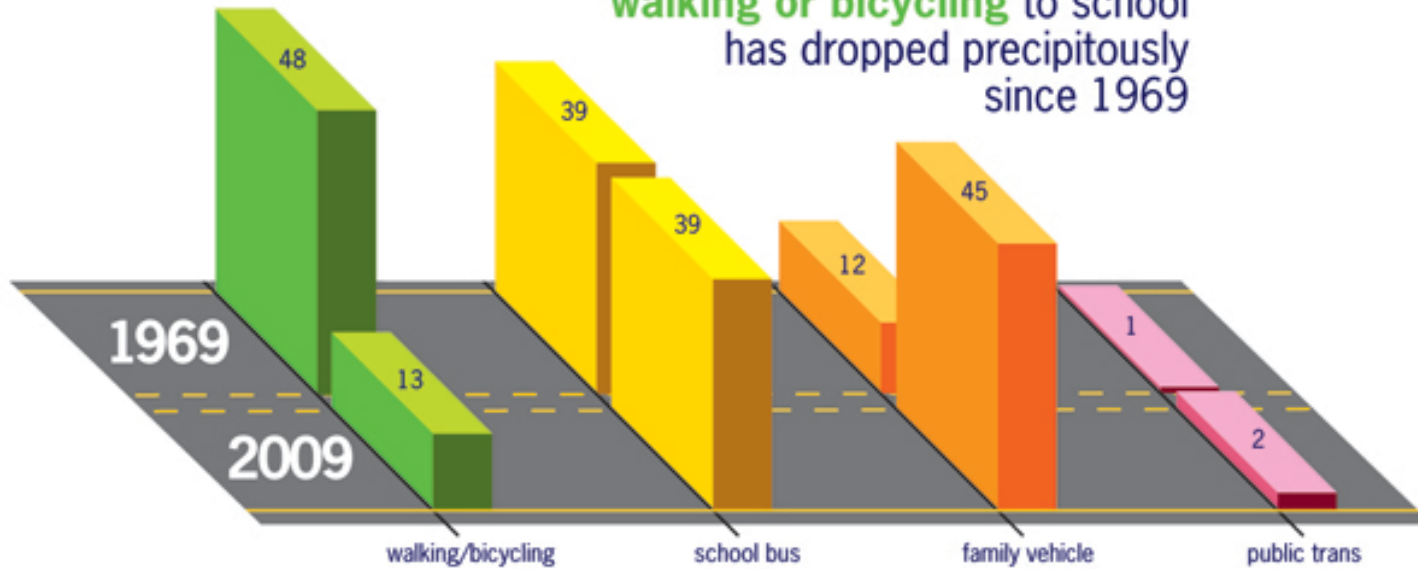
# IT'S NOT SURPRISING....



In 2000, more than 220 million cars are on the roads, this is more than one car per person over the age of 18!

# ALSO....

The percentage of children walking or bicycling to school has dropped precipitously since 1969





**WHY WE BICYCLE  
OR WALK TO  
SCHOOL AND IN  
OUR  
COMMUNITY!**

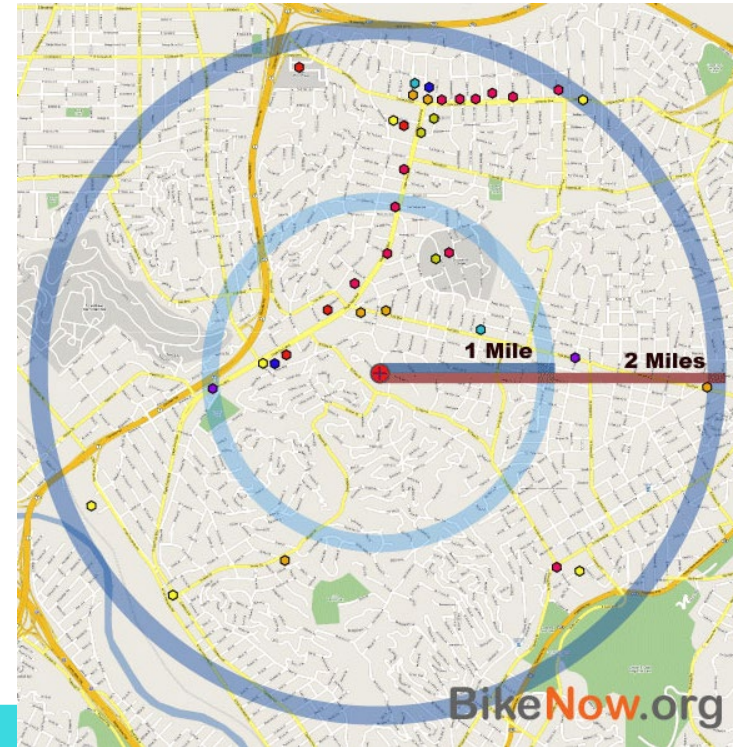


# Fit Biking or Walking Into Daily Routines

Nationwide, 40% of all trips are under 2 miles!

Think of all the places that are within about 2 miles of where you live!

- ✓ *Post office*
- ✓ *Grocery store*
- ✓ *Ice cream shop*
- ✓ *Library*
- ✓ *Park*
- ✓ *School*
- ✓ *Favorite café/restaurant*
- ✓ *Friend's house*

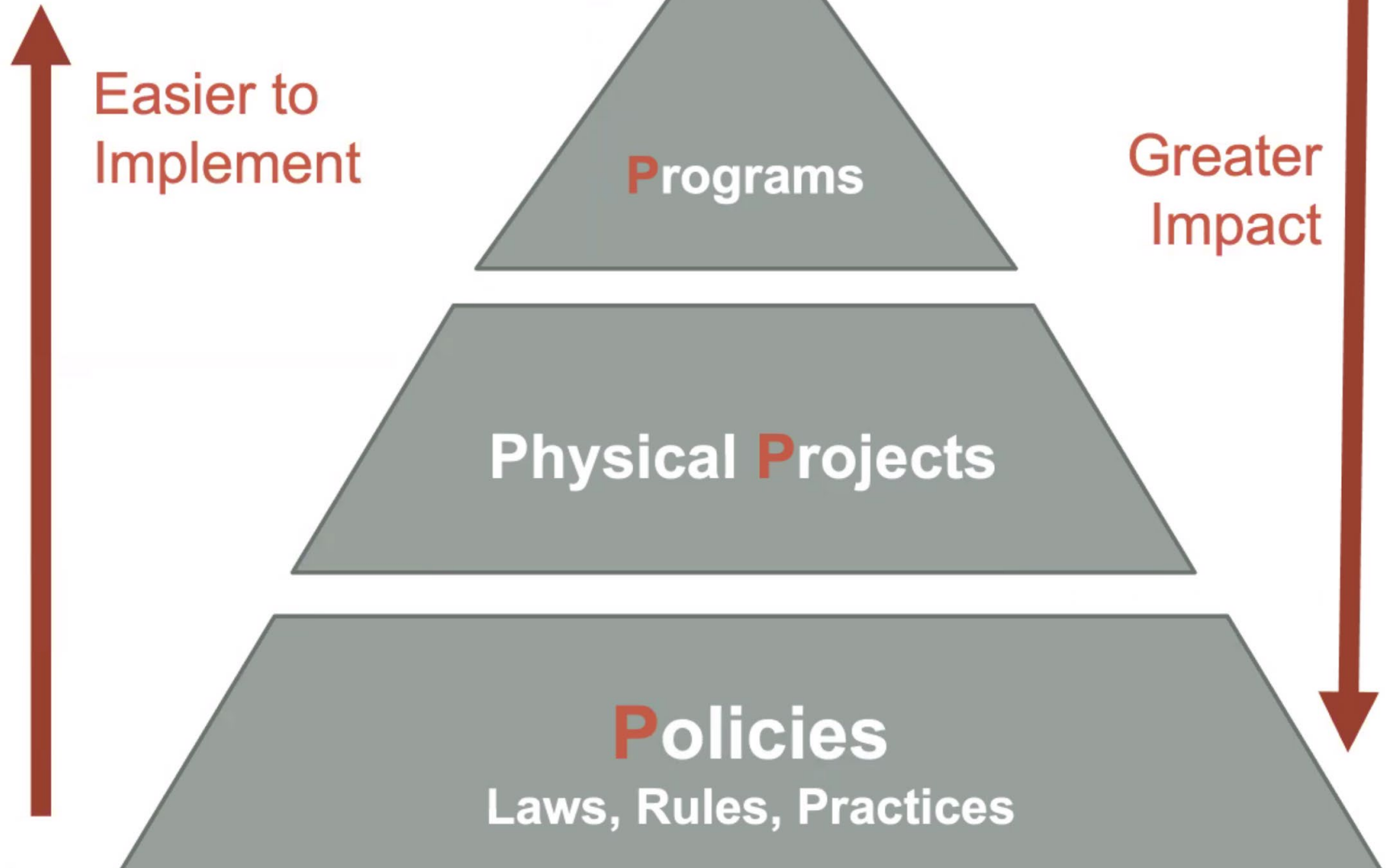


# HOW DO WE CREATE A WALKABLE/BIKEABLE COMMUNITY?





## Three Ps for change:



# SRTS ACTIVITIES IN PETALUMA – APRIL 24

4/10/24 – Learn to Ride Lesson, Lucchesi Park

4/16/24 - SRTS Walk Audit/Site Assessment at La Tercera Elementary

4/18/24 – Petaluma SRTS Task Force Meeting

4/24/24 – Education/Encouragement Station at Mary Collins at Cherry Valley Earth Day Fest

4/29/24 - 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Bicycle Rodeo at Loma Vista Immersion Academy

4/30/24 - SRTS Walk Audit/Site Assessment at Miwok Elementary

# WALK AUDIT/SRTS SITE ASSESSMENTS

- McDowell Elementary – 11/30/23
- McKinley Elem/Live Oak Charter - 1/16/24
- Petaluma High School – 2/8/24
- Loma Vista Elementary – 3/14/24
- La Tercera Elementary – 4/16/24
- **Miwok Elementary – 4/30/24**
- Casa Grande High School – 6/3/24



CELEBRATE



# WALK & ROLL FOR THE EARTH MONTH



FOR THE

EARTH

WITH

MONTH

WALK & ROLL TO SCHOOL DAY  
FIRST WEEK OF

APRIL

SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL

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# WALK & ROLL FOR THE EARTH! APR

## TAKE ACTION!



Win a \$25 gift CARD to a LOCAL EATERY

TAKE ACTION IN OUR GREEN EARTH CHALLENGE



Win a \$25 gift CARD TO A LOCALLY OWNED EATERY



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FOR ACTIVITIES & TO ENTER, VISIT:

[sonomasaferroutes.org](http://sonomasaferroutes.org)

# CURRENT MONTHLY CHALLENGE



## green earth CHALLENGE



Complete **TWO** or more of our green earth actions to celebrate earth month! Actions can be done at any time during the month of April, but we encourage one per week on the weeks specified below.

STUDENT NAME \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_

HOME ROOM TEACHER \_\_\_\_\_ GRADE \_\_\_\_\_

Send this sheet, noting completed actions to SRTS via email to [saferroutes@bikesonoma.org](mailto:saferroutes@bikesonoma.org), or via mail to SRTS, PO Box 3088, Santa Rosa, CA 95402. Entries received by Monday, May 6th will be entered into a drawing to win!

### WEEK 1

#### inspire! with CHALK ART

Chalk out drawings to inspire kids and families to Walk & Roll! Chalk the sidewalk on your route to school or anywhere, or chalk on a blacktop! Draw pictures of the earth, bikes, sneakers, squiggly or straight lines to follow or jump over, spirals or squares to spin or hop on, inspirational messages and/or more. Endless possibilities! Let's begin the month of April with a Chalk-Art-Extravaganza! *Optional: Take a picture of your Chalk Art and send to SRTS for a Bonus entry.*

Date Done \_\_\_\_\_

Sent to SRTS? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

### WEEK 2

#### Clean Up! a WALK/ROLL ROUTE

Grab two bags, one for trash and one for recyclables. Gloves and/or a pick-up stick are also great to have. On your walk, clear out litter from the paths, sidewalks, gutter, or nearby areas. Take all necessary precautions, be extra careful near roads and avoid sharp or unknown objects. Be sure to properly dispose of all litter! *Optional: Take a picture of the litter collected and send to SRTS for a Bonus entry.*

Date Done \_\_\_\_\_

Sent to SRTS? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

### WEEK 3

#### think of! reasons to WALK & ROLL

Make a list of as many reasons you can think about, of why it's good for the Green Earth AND/OR for you or anyone to walk or roll to school and/or in your neighborhood. Can you come up with more than 5 reasons? More than 10? How about more than 20? Send your list to SRTS if you can!

Number of reasons \_\_\_\_\_

Sent to SRTS? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

### WEEK 4

#### take action! share CONCERNS about a ROUTE

Write a letter to Safe Routes to School to let us know about a road/path or intersection that you think needs improvement, describing what feels unsafe and what you'd like improved. Send your letter to SRTS if you can! *We will share letters with local city staff and elected officials.*

Date Done \_\_\_\_\_

Sent to SRTS? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_



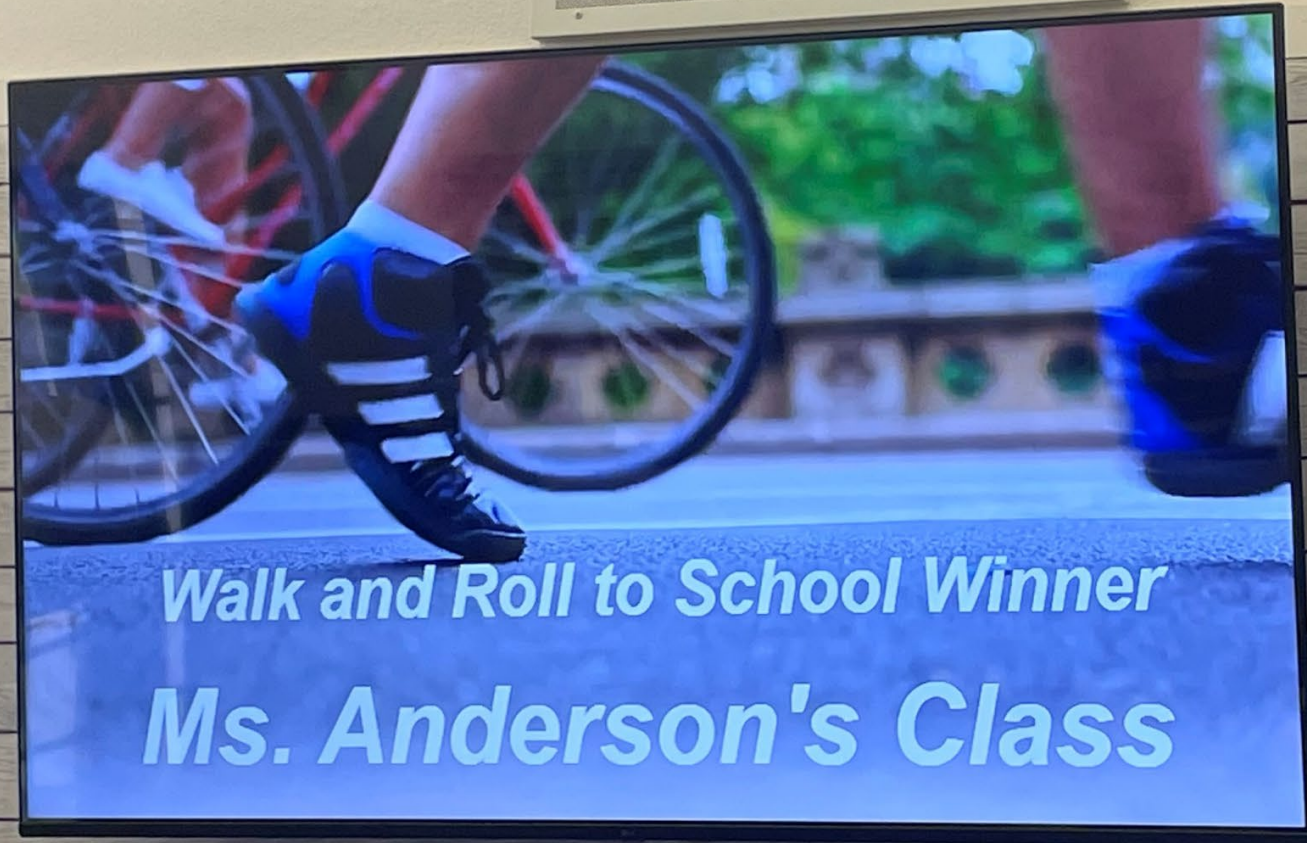
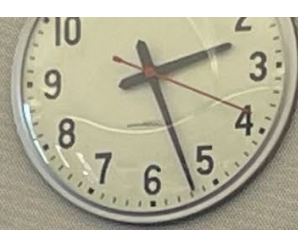
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@sonomacountysaferroutes





**DIA**  
**DEL NIÑO**  
Saturday  
May 4th  
11:00am-3:00pm  
GRAB PAPERES!

# START A WALKING SCHOOL BUS OR BIKE TRAIN AT YOUR SITE



## **BROOKS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

### **Walk & Roll to School Day**

### **Wednesday, April 3**

#

Join other students, families and school staff and bike to school together! The Bike Train will meet at the Town Green Rainbow Snoopy at 7:30am. Every rider must have a helmet, and a well working bicycle with tires fully inflated! Parents are welcome to join.

Join other students, families and school staff and walk to school together! The Walking School Bus will meet at the Foothill Pool Clubhouse at 7:30am. Parents are welcome.



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# BIKE TO SCHOOL DAY: WEDNESDAY MAY 8th





CELEBRATE NATIONAL

# Bike To School Day



With  
SAFE ROUTES  
TO SCHOOL



WED, MAY 8

BIKE...OR WALK,  
SCOOTER OR SKATE!

# Prizes!

CELEBRATE SONOMA COUNTY

# Bike To School MAY 8 Day

# Prizes!

FOR KIDS WHO BIKE, WALK, SCOOT OR  
SKATE TO PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS



\*alternative dates may be scheduled at some sites

# WALK & ROLL To School Day

NATIONAL BIKE TO SCHOOL DAY!

# WEDNESDAY

# MAY 8th



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# BIKE SAFETY

# QUICK tips

**Check** the air, brakes & chain  
before riding your bike



Wear and fasten your **helmet**



Be **visible**: Wear bright clothing  
(and use your hand signals)

**Communicate**: Make eye contact and use  
your hand signals

Be **predictable**: Ride in the same direction  
as traffic and follow the rules of the road

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# PETALUMA SCHOOLS REGISTERED FOR 2024



- Corona Creek Elementary
- Grant Elementary
- Kenilworth Junior High
- Live Oak Charter School
- Loma Vista Immersion Academy
- Mary Collins at Cherry Valley
- McDowell Elementary
- McKinley/PACS
- McNear Elementary
- Meadow Elementary
- Miwok
- Petaluma Junior High
- The Spring Hill School
- Valley Vista

# FAMILY BIKE WORKSHOP

FREE!



IN PERSON!



## Lucchesi Park

**SATURDAY, JUNE 22ND**

**10am–12:30pm**

**Pre-Registration Required**

[www.bikesonoma.org/family-bike-workshops](http://www.bikesonoma.org/family-bike-workshops)

FREE  
HELMETS!