



Bikes and Scooters Policy

RATIONALE

Students travelling to and from school, as well as at school, need to be safe. Bicycles and scooters are popular means of transport for students and must be managed in a safe manner in order to avoid injury or accidents.

AIMS

- To provide a school environment that is safe and practical for students, and balances the rights of individuals with respect to the school's duty of care toward all staff, students and parents within and around the school grounds.

IMPLEMENTATION

- Our school will provide storage racks for bicycles ridden to school
- Parents and students are expected to sign an agreement that indicates their understanding and support of the following conditions:
 - a) Students must wear helmets
 - b) Bicycles and scooters are to be in a suitably safe condition
 - c) Students are not to bring electronically powered or motorised vehicles to school
 - d) Bicycles and scooters must be walked safely whilst on school grounds
 - e) Bicycles and scooters are to be parked in one of the bike racks nearest to the student's classroom and locked, where possible
 - f) Parents and students understand that the school is not responsible for the safety of bicycles and scooters at school or students' safety when travelling to and from school
 - g) It is recommended that children under the age of 10 years travel to school in the company of an adult
- All parents will be made aware of this policy via the school's usual communication methods.
- An annual Bikes and Scooters Agreement will need to be signed and provided to the class teacher.
- Students who do not uphold the aforementioned conditions and expectations (a – f) will be placed on a staged management plan in consultation with their parent (e.g. warning, bicycle/scooter use withheld for a period of time, meeting with parents)
- Road rules and traffic/safety education forms part of the school curriculum

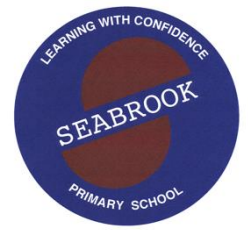
EVALUATION/REVIEW

This policy will be reviewed as required following any changes to practice or policy review.

Last reviewed:

Principal: *Tania Hunt*

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2023 BIKES AND SCOOTERS AGREEMENT

The following agreement is to be completed by any student who will be travelling to school using a bicycle or scooter this year. This agreement is to be co-signed by the parent/carer, and returned to the class teacher.

I agree to observe the following conditions and expectations related to the safe and responsible use of a bicycle or scooter when travelling to and from school:

- a) Students must wear helmets
- b) Bicycles and scooters are to be in a suitably safe condition
- c) Students are not to bring electronically powered or motorised vehicles to school
- d) Bicycles and scooters must be walked safely whilst on school grounds
- e) Bicycles and scooters are to be parked in one of the bike racks nearest to the student's classroom and locked, where possible
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- g) It is recommended that children under the age of 10 years travel to school in the company of an adult

Consequences for irresponsible and unsafe management of bicycles and, scooters will include:

- A warning given to the student to adopt appropriate safety and management strategies, with relevant communication to parents.
- The bicycle or scooter may be removed from the student use for a specified period of time.

We agree to the conditions and expectations stated above:

Student: **Grade:**

Signed: **Date:**

Parent/Guardian: **Date:**

Signed:

