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Cycling and Scooter Use to School - The Importance of Wearing a Helmet



Dear Parents and Carers,

We are pleased that many of our children are choosing to travel to school by bicycle or scooter, as this supports healthy lifestyles and helps children develop independence and road awareness. We are keen to encourage these positive habits, while also ensuring that they are carried out as safely as possible. I am therefore writing to remind parents and children of the importance of wearing a **properly fitted helmet** when travelling to and from school on a bicycle or scooter. Helmet use is widely recognised as an important measure in reducing the risk of head injury in the event of a fall or collision. In recent years there have been a number of cycling accidents in the vicinity of school.

Cycling to School

To help keep everyone safe, we ask that:

- All children who cycle to school wear a suitable, well-fitted cycle helmet.
- Bicycles are in good working order, with effective brakes.
- Children follow road safety rules and ride sensibly at all times.
- Bicycles are walked once children enter the school grounds.
- Bicycles are stored safely in the designated area.

Scooter Use

We are also aware that a number of children travel to school using scooters. For clarity, this refers to **push (kick) scooters only**. Please note that electric scooters are not permitted to be used by children travelling to school.

For children using push scooters, we ask that:

- A properly fitted helmet is worn.
- Scooters are used sensibly and with consideration for pedestrians.
- Scooters are walked once children enter the school grounds.
- Scooters are stored safely in the designated area.

As with cycling, responsibility for children's journeys to and from school rests with parents and carers. However, by working together, we can help ensure that children develop safe and responsible travel habits.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us keep our school community safe. If you have any questions or would like further guidance, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Yours sincerely,

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