



# **BIKES, SCOOTERS & SKATEBOARDS**

## **POLICY**

### **Rationale:**

- Students travelling to and from school, as well as at school need to be safe. Bicycles, scooters and skateboards are popular means of transport for students, but require regulation and management.

### **Aims:**

- To provide a school environment which is safe for students, which is practical, and balances the rights of individuals with the schools duty of care toward all staff and students.

### **Implementation:**

- Bicycles, scooters and skateboards are very popular means of transport for students, but are also often involved in serious accidents.
- It is well recognised that young children have underdeveloped motor skills, peripheral vision and judgement.
- Our school will provide safe storage for bicycles ridden to school by students. Students must wear a bike helmet at all times.
- Bicycle education, road rules and safety will form part of the school curriculum particularly in Years 3 & 4 where a formal 'Bike Education' program is conducted each year.
- Bicycles, scooters or skateboards cannot be ridden inside the school grounds at any time, unless participating in the "Bike Education" program supervised by teachers.
- Students who break school rules will be managed in a manner consistent with the student discipline policy.

### **Evaluation:**

- This policy will be reviewed annually as part of the school's three-year review cycle.

This policy was last ratified by School Council in....

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