



## Riding to School Policy

*(This includes bikes, scooters, skate boards, stake shoes and roller blades.)*

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This document outlines safety issues and recommendations for Parents and Guardians for children who ride their bikes to school.

**Children at Rangebank Primary School are not permitted to ride their bicycle to school unless they are in Year 3 or older.**

This decision is made taking into account:

- The busy roads which lead to the school
- The age of the children and their ability to control a bike.
- The child's understanding of the road rules.
- Children under this age have not yet fully developed their vision capability, in particular they tend to still have tunnel vision. They cannot use peripheral vision which means they can't scan around when riding.

An exemption may be applied for where the parent of a child below Year 3 requests in writing to the Principal that their child be allowed to ride to school. In this case, the parent must supervise their child at all times and be responsible for their care and safety.

School Council will not allow an older brother or sister to be responsible for their younger sibling (if they are below Year 3). This is too much responsibility to be given to a child under the age of 12.

**The law states that a helmet must be worn when riding a bike. There is a fine applied to persons caught riding without a helmet.**

**At Rangebank Primary School children riding to school without a helmet will have their bike impounded. A Parent/ Guardian will be asked to collect the bike and to ensure that their child wears a helmet when riding to and from school in the future.**

**All children are encouraged to wear a helmet while riding scooters and skateboards and wearing rollerblades.**

Children will walk their bikes, scooters and skateboards in and out of the school grounds using the entrance on Lesdon Avenue.

Children wearing rollerblades must change them for school shoes before entering the school ground.



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### EVALUATION

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

### CERTIFICATION

This policy was adopted at the School Council Meeting held at Rangebank Primary School,

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Signed.....

School Council President

Signed.....

Principal