



RIDING OF BIKES, RIPSTICKS, SKATEBOARDS AND SCOOTERS POLICY

PURPOSE

Chatham Primary School encourages students to gain experience in road safety and safe school travel, while promoting a sense of self-esteem for students through independent and responsible riding. Safe cycling also offers an opportunity to improve student fitness and physical activity.

SCOPE

This policy applies to all Chatham Primary School students.

POLICY

- All riders must comply with road safety rules.
- All riders must wear appropriate clothing and safety equipment.
- Students from Years 4, 5 and 6 only will be able to cycle to school.
- Students from P-6 may ride 'scooters' to and from school.
- Each student must take responsibility for the safety and security of their own bike, skateboard, ripstick or scooter.
- Storage will be provided for students' bikes, skateboards, ripsticks and scooters at a designated area.
- Rules for riding bikes, ripsticks, skateboards and scooters to school will be distributed annually.
- When travelling to and from school between 8:30am and 3:45pm, riders must dismount and wheel or carry bikes, ripsticks, skateboards or scooters in Weybridge St between Wharton and Ross St, Benson St north of Wandsworth Rd and Banool Rd south of Meldreth St.
- The riding of bikes, scooters, skateboards, ripsticks or scooters is prohibited in the school grounds between 8:30am and 3:45pm during school days.
- Breaches of rules will be subject to discipline at the discretion of the Principal.

In exceptional circumstances, parents may seek permission from the Principal to allow their child in a younger grade to ride a bike to and from school if under their direct supervision. Permission is at the Principal's discretion.

Riding privileges will be forfeited if students fail to comply with policy rules, at the discretion of the Principal.

REVIEW CYCLE

This policy was last updated in September 2018 and is scheduled for review in September 2021.