CSPS 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 all students. To encourage students to be responsible for their own safety and the safety of others when cycling, on scooters or using skateboards.
- To develop an awareness of bicycle safety in the wider community.
- To provide secure housing for bicycles during school hours.

Implementation:
- Bicycles, scooters and skateboards are very popular means of transport for students, but are also often involved in serious accidents.
- It is primarily the responsibility of parents to ensure children are able to ride safely, know and follow the road rules, that their bicycles are roadworthy, and that a properly fitting, approved helmet is worn.
- Victorian Roads recommend that children under the age of ten years have insufficient peripheral vision to allow safe riding without adult supervision. CSPS strongly support this and recommend bicycles are ridden by:
  a. Children ten years and over.
  b. Younger children if accompanied on the journey by an adult.
- Our school will provide safe storage for bicycles ridden to school by students under the following conditions:
  - Students wear helmets
  - Bicycles are in roadworthy condition
- All parents will be made aware of these school rules, and the safety reasons supporting them.
- Students who contravene these requirements but ride bicycles to school, cannot bring their bicycles onto school property or store their bicycles at school.
- Road rules and safety will form part of the school curriculum.
- Scooters and skateboards may be ridden to school by students wearing helmets.
- Bicycles, scooters or skateboards cannot be ridden inside the school grounds at any time.

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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References