



Help for non-English speakers

If you need help to understand the information in this policy, please contact the school office on 9311 1325 or email greenhills.ps@education.vic.gov.au

PURPOSE

This policy clarifies the roles and responsibilities of parents, carers and schools in relation to students travelling to and from school, particularly when riding bicycles and scooters.

POLICY

Parents and carers are responsible for their children travelling to and from school. This includes all forms of travel to get to school.

Principals are responsible for student travel at events where bicycles and scooters are used at school. This will only occur for special event days, fundraising events or during Bike Education classes.

Riding to and from school

- Children under the age of 12 may ride on footpaths, as can a supervising adult. Riders are required to give way to pedestrians and to wheel their bicycles over pedestrian and children's crossings.
- Children aged 12 years or older are required by law to ride on the road.
- Road safety authorities recommend that children under the age of 9 are supervised by an adult when riding on the road. Depending on their cycling skills and experience, some children over this age may still require supervision.
- Bicycles and scooters remain the responsibility of parents and carers and must be roadworthy.
- The school will provide an area for students to store their bikes and scooters but does not take responsibility for any loss or damage to personal property.
- Students must dismount from their bicycles and scooters at the school boundary. Riding is not permitted inside the school ground during school hours, except for special event days and Bike Education classes.
- For safety reasons, the use of skateboards, rollerblades, roller skates, is not an approved form of transport to school.



Helmets

Parents and students should be reminded that the law requires that all bike and scooter riders wear an approved bicycle helmet.

Approved helmets have the Australian Standards Mark TM (AS/NZS 2063) and will be marked as suitable for riding.

E-bikes and E-Scooters

Due to safety concerns, e-bikes and e-scooters are not an acceptable form of transport for children and are not permitted on school grounds.

Victoria Police has issued the following:

- riders of e-bikes and e-scooters cannot carry passengers
- children under 16 cannot ride e-scooters
- helmets must always be worn when riding
- e-bikes and e-scooters cannot be ridden on footpaths.

COMMUNICATION

This policy will be communicated to our school community in the following ways:

- e-News
- on the school website

on request from the school office **RELATED POLICIES AND RESOURCES**

The following policies and documents are available on the school's website:

- Duty of Care
- Child Safety Policy
- Student Engagement and Wellbeing

Department policies:

Duty of Care <http://www2.education.vic.gov.au/pal/duty-of-care/policy>

School Crossings <http://www2.education.vic.gov.au/pal/school-crossings/policy>

POLICY REVIEW AND APPROVAL

Policy last reviewed	10 June 2026
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Approved by	Principal
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RIDING TO AND FROM SCHOOL BICYCLES & SCOOTERS
