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Cycling to school – Important notice to Parents

Heathfield Primary School supports pupils who wish to walk or cycle to school since it improves their health and fitness, reduces traffic outside the school making conditions safer for everyone and benefits their general development. If you wish your son/daughter to cycle to school, would you please complete the application form on the reverse of this letter and return to Mr. McKenzie. It is important that we know the numbers of children cycling to school even on an irregular basis in order that we can make appropriate security and safety arrangements. Following the necessary checks, a Cycle Permit will be issued.

Failure to follow the conditions may result in this permit being withdrawn.

While Heathfield Primary School wishes to encourage an increase in the number of pupils cycling to school, the decision as to whether your child is competent to negotiate such hazards as may present themselves on the route from home to school and back must be yours and yours alone. Heathfield Primary does not accept any liability for any consequences of that decision.

- Parents are advised to take out appropriate insurance cover, as the school's insurance does not cover loss or damage to bicycles.
- Parents must also provide appropriate security locks for the bicycles so that they can be left secure during the school day.

Cycle Helmets

Pupils are strongly advised to wear a correctly fitting cycle helmet and use appropriate reflective clothing and bike lights when visibility is poor.

Conditions for Cycling to School

1. All bicycles must be in a roadworthy condition
2. Cyclists must ride sensibly and follow the Highway Code
3. Approved cycle training must have been undertaken, where available
4. All bicycles must be locked securely in the approved cycle parking area
5. Bicycles must not be removed from the parking area during the school day without permission of Mr McKenzie the cycling co-ordinator
6. All cyclists must dismount their bicycle before entering the school grounds and not mount it before leaving the site
7. Cyclists must not interfere with or attempt to ride other pupils' bicycles



APPLICATION FORM FOR A CYCLE PERMIT

Name of Pupil	
Date of Birth	
Cycle Serial No	
Lock Serial No	
Cycle Make	
Model	
Cycle Colour	
Features	

I accept the conditions and request permission to be given access to cycle parking at the school.

Signed:.....(pupil)

Date:.....

I consider my child is competent to negotiate such hazards as may present themselves on the route from home to school. I accept the above conditions and support my child's application for a cycle permit.

Signed.....(Parent / Guardian)

**HEATHFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REVOKE PERMITS
IN THE EVENT THAT THESE CONDITIONS ARE IGNORED.**

Please return completed forms to Mr. K. McKenzie

