

## CODE OF CONDUCT FOR BICYCLE/SCOOTER

## Cycling & Scootering to School

While Haddenham Community Infant School wishes to encourage an increase in the number of pupils cycling or scootering to school, the decision as to whether your child is competent to negotiate any potential hazards that may present themselves on the route from home to school and back must be yours and yours alone. Haddenham Community Infant School does not accept liability for any consequences of that decision. Therefore, parents must ensure that their child's bicycle/scooter is in a roadworthy condition and that they ride sensibly and follow the Highway Code at all times.

Haddenham Community Infant School supports children who wish to walk, cycle or scooter to school since it improves their health and fitness, benefits their general development and reduces traffic outside the school, making conditions safer for everyone. If you wish your child to cycle/scooter to school, would you please sign below and return it to school. It is important that we know the numbers of children cycling or scootering to school even on an irregular basis in order that we can make appropriate security and safety arrangements.

Parents are advised to take out appropriate insurance cover as the school's insurance does not cover loss or damage to bicycles/scooters or equipment while on school premises. Please ensure your child's bicycle/scooter are named.

I/We (the parent/s) and my child agree to abide by the following rules:

- I/We will ensure that we and our child always wear a correctly fitted cycle helmet when cycling to and from school.
- I/We will ensure that we and our child make ourselves as visible as possible while cycling by always wearing the appropriate high visibility and reflective clothing and turn on bicycle lights when visibility is poor.
- I/We will show consideration for pedestrians and will avoid allowing my child to cycle/scooter on the pavements, unless I am walking with them.
- I/We will ensure that my child dismounts/mounts their bicycle/scooter before entering the school gate and walk their bicycle/scooter to the designated parking area. At NO TIME will my child be permitted to ride their bicycle/scooter in the school grounds.
- I/We will ensure that my child parks their bicycles/scooters in the area designated (ie cycle racks) and will lock my child's bicycle/scooter and retain the key.
- I/We will ensure that my child participates in an Introduction to Cycling course or similar as soon as the opportunity arises locally.
- I/We recognise that the school cannot accept responsibility for loss or damage to my child's bicycle/scooter or equipment whilst on school premises. The school in turn will undertake the responsibility to keep the children away from the designated cycle parking area at playtimes as much as possible.

Haddenham Community Infant School reserves the right to revoke cycling and scooting in the event that these conditions are ignored.