Rationale:
Students travelling to and from school, as well as at school need to be safe. Bicycles are a popular means of transport for students, but require regulation and management. It is well recognised that young children have underdeveloped motor skills, peripheral vision and judgement.

Aims:
The purpose of this policy is to provide a school environment, which is safe for students, which is practical, and balances the rights of individuals with the school’s duty of care toward all staff and students.

Implementation:
- Our school will provide safe storage for bicycles ridden to school by students.
- Students wear helmets and bicycles that are in road worthy condition.
- Children under the age of 10 years must ride to school in the company of an adult.
- All parents will be made aware of these school rules, and the safety reasons supporting them.
- Road rules and safety will form part of the school curriculum.
- Bicycles cannot be ridden inside the school grounds at any time.
- Students in Grade 5/6 will have the opportunity to participate in the Bike Ed program on a biannual basis.
- Students who break school rules will be managed in a manner consistent with the student discipline policy.
- All care will be taken but the school cannot accept responsibility for damage that may occur to bicycles, scooters and/or skateboards that are stored at school.

Evaluation:
This policy will be reviewed as part of the school renewal process

This policy was last ratified by the School Leadership Team March 2014

References: