



St Teresa's Catholic Primary School

"With Jesus we live, love and learn"

Bike/Scooter Policy

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Bikes and Scooters Policy

1. Purpose

St Teresa's Catholic Primary School encourages children and families to use active and sustainable methods of travelling to and from school where this can be done safely.

Children are welcome to travel to school by bicycle or non-electric scooter, subject to the expectations set out in this policy.

2. Permitted Transport

Children may travel to and from school using:

- Bicycles
- Non-electric scooters

The following are **not permitted** for use or storage at school:

- Electric scooters (e-scooters)
- Electric or motorised personal transport devices
- Skateboards
- Roller skates
- Rollerblades

3. Entering and Leaving the School Site

For the safety of all members of the school community, **bicycles and scooters must not be ridden anywhere on the school site.**

Children and adults must dismount before entering the school grounds and walk their bicycle or scooter to or from the appropriate storage area.

This expectation applies at all times, including at the beginning and end of the school day and when attending before-school or after-school activities.

4. Storage

Bicycles and scooters may be left at either of the school's designated bike racks:

- **Front bike rack (by the side gate)**
- **Rear bike rack (by the Year One classroom)**

Children attending an after-school club are encouraged to use the **front bike rack**, as this allows easier access to their bicycle or scooter when leaving school.

Bicycles and scooters should be placed neatly in the designated storage areas and must not obstruct gates, paths, entrances or emergency access routes.

Families are strongly encouraged to secure bicycles and scooters with an appropriate lock.

All bicycles, scooters, helmets, locks and other associated equipment are brought onto and left on the school site entirely at the owner's risk.

The school accepts no responsibility for loss, theft or damage to bicycles, scooters, helmets, locks or any associated equipment brought onto or stored on the school premises.

5. No Overnight Storage

Bicycles and scooters **must be taken home at the end of each school day and must not be left on the school premises overnight.**

The school cannot guarantee the security of any bicycle, scooter or other equipment left on the site outside normal school hours and accepts no responsibility for any item left overnight.

6. Safety and Parental Responsibility

Parents and carers are responsible for deciding whether their child is able to travel safely by bicycle or scooter and for ensuring that:

- the bicycle or scooter is safe and in suitable working condition;
- the child has the skills and maturity necessary to use it safely;
- the child understands appropriate road and pedestrian safety; and
- appropriate safety equipment is used.

The school strongly recommends that children wear a properly fitted safety helmet when cycling or scooting.

Parents and carers are responsible for their child's journey to and from school.

The school accepts no responsibility for accidents or injuries arising from a child's use of a bicycle or scooter while travelling to or from school or otherwise using it away from the school site, except where the school has a legal responsibility arising from its own negligence or breach of statutory duty.

7. Conduct on School Premises

Children are expected to follow staff instructions concerning bicycles and scooters at all times.

Where a child:

- rides a bicycle or scooter on school grounds;
- uses or handles a bicycle or scooter in a way which places themselves or another person at risk;
- repeatedly fails to follow staff instructions; or
- brings a prohibited form of transport onto the school site,

the school may contact their parent or carer and may withdraw permission for the bicycle or scooter to be brought onto the school premises.

8. Summary of Expectations

Children and families should remember:

- **Bikes and non-electric scooters are welcome.**
- **E-scooters, skateboards, roller skates and rollerblades are not permitted.**
- **Bikes and scooters must be walked, never ridden, on school grounds.**
- **Use either the front or rear bike rack.**
- **The front rack is recommended for children attending after-school clubs.**
- **Items are left entirely at the owner's risk.**
- **The school takes no responsibility for loss, theft or damage.**
- **Bikes and scooters must not be left at school overnight.**
- **Parents and carers are responsible for their child's safe use of a bike or scooter when travelling to and from school.**

9. Review

This policy will be reviewed periodically and amended where necessary to reflect changes to school arrangements, safety guidance or legislation.