



## Thursfield Primary School

### School Cycling and Scooter Policy

Review Date: March 2025

Next Review: March 2027

Thursfield Primary School recognises the many positive benefits of pupils cycling to and from school. We therefore look to encourage this form of travel in as many ways as possible.

#### Benefits of cycling to school include:

- Improving health through physical activity.
- Establishing positive active travel behaviour.
- Promoting independence and improving safety awareness.
- Reducing congestion, noise, and pollution in the community.
- Reducing environmental impact of the journey to school.

#### Role of the pupil:

1. To ride to school sensibly and safely following the Highway Code.
2. To take responsibility for checking that their bicycle is roadworthy and regularly maintained.
3. Behave in a manner which shows them and the school in the best possible light and to consider the needs of others when cycling.
4. To correctly wear a cycle helmet to and from the school site.
5. To ensure they can be seen by other road users, by using bicycle lights and wearing high-visibility clothing, as appropriate.
6. To dismount upon entering the school site and walk their bicycles to the storage area.
7. To be aware of other pedestrians when wheeling the bicycle through the playground.
8. To use the bell as a warning when approaching pedestrians.
9. To lock the bicycle securely to the bike storage, with a lock provided by the parents.
10. To safely store their cycle helmet in their classroom.

### Role of the school:

1. To provide and maintain cycle storage.
2. To actively promote cycling as a positive way of travelling.
3. Thursfield Primary School is not responsible for bicycles brought on to or left on school premises and is therefore not liable for pupils' bicycles being stolen or damaged by a third party.
4. The Headteacher will notify parents if children do not adhere to the School Bicycle Policy and permission to ride will be withdrawn until the issues identified have been satisfactorily addressed.

### Conditions for cycling to Thursfield Primary School:

1. To ensure the bicycle is in good working order, well maintained and the correct size.
2. To fit the bicycle with a bell and a working light.
3. To complete a Cycle Permit giving permission for the child to cycle to school alone.
4. To provide a named cycle helmet and encourage their child to wear bright and or reflective clothing on the journey.
5. To provide a sturdy lock to secure the bicycle to the bike shed at school.
6. To note that all bicycles and helmets are brought and stored on school grounds at the owner's risk.

**This school reserves the right to revoke a cycle permit in the event that these conditions are ignored.**



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#### Thursfield Primary School Cycling and Scooter Permit.

Name of Pupil..... Class.....

Date of Birth.....

Cycle make..... Model.....

Cycle colour..... features.....

I accept the above conditions and request permission for ..... (My child) to cycle to school and to be given access to the available cycle parking.

Signed.....

Name.....  
Parent/Guardian

Date:.....