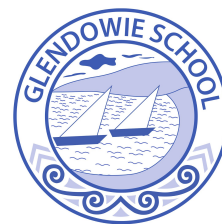


## Glendowie School

### BICYCLE , WHEELS and VEHICLES DRIVEN OR RIDDEN ON SITE DURING SCHOOL HOURS Procedure



#### RATIONALE

The safety for students in terms of them using a bicycle or scooter as transport to and from school and ensuring safety for students, families and visitors to our school from vehicles including vehicles which are motorised. This applies to school days when the school is open for instruction.

#### GUIDELINES

- Bicycles must be ridden safely and in a responsible manner to and from school as required by the Police.
- The wearing of a NZ Safety Standards approved helmet is compulsory. This must be fitted and worn in the correct manner. Students will need to ensure helmets are secured while at school (e.g. chained to bicycle).
- Bicycles must be in a road worthy condition.
- It is the recommendation of police that pupils from age 10 years may ride bicycles to school. Students who are in Y6-Y8 (or 10+ years old) can store their bikes at school. Parents of students under the age of 10 years take the responsibility around their child riding to school and realising they cannot store their bike at school but are permitted to secure their bikes on the outside of the school fence.
- Doubling on bicycles is not permitted.
- Loaning of bicycle to other pupils is not permitted.
- When using the pedestrian crossing, students will walk the bicycle across.
- Bicycles must not be ridden or scooted in the school grounds.
- It is expected that children bring a padlock for their bicycle at school.
- Breaking of rules may result in children not being able to bring their bicycles into the school grounds for a set period of time and parents will be notified.
- The bicycle will be stored in the bike bay. The school does not hold itself responsible for the care of bicycles while at school, but will endeavour to ensure that they are not interfered with whilst at school.

#### Wheels: Bikes, Scooters and skateboards

- Bikes ridden on footpath is against the law, so when children ride on the footpath they must realize that pedestrians have the right of way and must slow down, dismount or give way to all pedestrians.
- Children need to be careful about going down steep hills, speed needs to be monitored so stopping for pedestrians can be done safely. During peak hours but especially at 3pm when leaving school gates, students are encouraged to walk their wheels on the footpath past the kindergarten, until they get to the corner of Riddell and Roberta Roads.
- After-school care programmes cannot ride scooters on court area until it is clear of all students and parents. (approx after 3:30pm).
- Children who continue to be a safety issue on the footpaths will be followed up with the DP/Principal and if required the Community Constable to talk with parents regarding a solution. (Police Youth Services Ph 529 9127).

#### Motorised vehicles

Motorised vehicles including cars, trucks, vans, motorised scooters/ bikes, disability scooters may not be ridden on the school grounds from **8.30 to 9.15 am and 2.30 to 3.15pm** while the school is open for instruction.

All staff , visitors, contractors and students are required to take all practical steps to ensure their own safety and that no action or inaction on their part causes harm to others. This includes the procedure for vehicles, mobility scooters, bikes, scooters (see school procedures with the restriction of these vehicles being ridden/ driven on site during peak times) and vehicles including mobility scooters being escorted by school staff within the school grounds at other times within the school day

It is understood that vehicles may be in our school car park and parked as stationary vehicles

(The exception is where a concrete truck is delivering concrete and the consequences of this delay would mean the concrete would become unusable. In this rare occasion the truck will be escorted on site by a staff member)

In order to ensure safety of students/ children , visitors, contractors and staff, any motorised vehicle that wants to come on to our school site while the school is open for instruction during the hours of **9.15 to 2.30pm** must make arrangements for a staff member to escort them on site ensuring the safety of our students

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