

	<p style="text-align: center;">FRANKSTON PRIMARY SCHOOL</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Bikes and Scooters Policy</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Reviewed 2022</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Next Review: 2026</p>
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Purpose

Students travelling to and from Frankston Primary School, as well as at school, need to be safe. Many of our students choose to ride a bike or scooter. The primary purpose of this policy is to clarify roles and responsibilities of parents and schools in relation to students travelling to and from school, particularly in relation to cycling.

Aim

- To ensure a clear protocol is developed for entering school grounds ensuring the safety of all school community members
- To ensure that students, staff, parents and carers are aware of the expected and acceptable use of bicycles and scooters when riding to and from school.

Implementation

Parents and Carers Responsibilities

Parents and carers are responsible for their children riding bicycles and scooters to and from school.

It is the responsibility of the parent/carer to ensure:

- That their children's bicycles/scooters ridden to school are in good and safe working order and that all protective and safety equipment as required by law is provided
- That their children correctly wear a Standards Australia approved bicycle helmet (Australia Standards Mark TM AS/NZS 2063) as required by law, at all times when in control of a bicycle/scooter
- That their children know and understand how to ride to and from school safely following all road rules
- That their children know and understand how to enter Frankston Primary School grounds correctly and in a safe manner, what the requirements and school rules are for student acceptable use of bicycles and scooters to and from school, and to supply a suitable lock for their child's bicycle or scooter when at school
- That their children know and understand that skateboards or other means of transport are not permitted on school grounds
- That parents and children understand that bicycles, scooters and helmets are brought and stored on school grounds at the owner's risk, the school will not be responsible for damage, loss or theft

- To understand that their children who do not comply with this policy may have consequences implemented by the school, and these could include loss of bike riding/scootering to and from school.

Student Responsibilities

It is the responsibility of all students riding bicycles or scooters to school to:

- Dismount immediately before entering the school grounds (at the school gates) and walk their bicycles and scooters at all times whilst on school grounds
- Store all bicycles and scooters in the bike shed provided. Bicycles and scooters can be locked with a suitable lock supplied by the bicycle owner.
- Store helmets in the bike shed or in student bags.
- Not to ride bicycles or scooters on the school grounds until after 5pm to ensure safety of all students, families and staff who may be on school grounds until this time.

School Responsibilities

- In the case that the school notices a bike or scooter is deemed unsafe to ride, the school will contact and inform the parent
- In the case that a student does not wear a helmet, the school will contact and inform the parent
- Provide a bike enclosure for bicycles and scooters to be stored when at school
- In the case that a bicycle or scooter is ridden on school grounds before 5pm, contact and inform the parent that the child may have consequences for not following school rules to ensure a safe school environment
- In the case that bike/scooter riding is an organised school lesson or activity on site, ensure that the bike meets legal requirements and students have appropriate equipment for safe participation. In the case equipment is deemed inappropriate or unsafe by staff, students will not be able to participate
- In the case that cycling is to occur as a school planned adventure activity, contact school council for approval.

Related Policies

- DET School Policy Advisory Guide – [Cycling to and from School](#)

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EVALUATION	This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's three year review cycle, or as required due to changes in relevant Acts, Laws, DET mandates, or should situations arise that require earlier consideration.