

Haileybury Turnford

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Dear Parent/Carer

Cycling to school

We have become aware of some of our students who are cycling to and from school and are not paying due attention to road safety or consideration of others, using footpaths and roads. We are concerned about the safety of all students and about dangerous cycling that we have seen recently when students are arriving or leaving school.

For example:

- Wheeling across the road
- Riding dangerously fast across the road without looking for on-coming traffic or pedestrians
- Wearing headphones and cycling
- Riding without suitable lights on the bike

This is unacceptable behaviour and potentially could result in a serious accident. As we are located near to a busy main road and our responsibility to safeguard and protect our students, we are reinforcing the expectation that every student riding a bike to school will need to read and sign our HT Cycle Rider Safety Contract form and will be expected to wear a cycle helmet to school. **Students cannot just bring a cycle helmet into school, they must be wearing a properly fitted helmet.**

Any student that chooses to not ride their bike safely to school or who does not wear a cycle helmet will be at risk of losing permission to be able to cycle their bike to school.

If a student is found to be riding their bike inappropriately or is not wearing a cycle helmet will have their bike locked securely. We will contact parents and either ask for you to collect your child's bike or bring a cycle helmet to school so they can ride back home safely.

If your child wishes to ride a bike to school please complete the HT Cycle Rider Safety Contract found **here:**

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=uMZleN2FjU6zDtgO3V8y7EEwmibpbNRHqhHMsOLonZtUOTEzTUFWWENSUzE5WkZJOEhHMVhITTRXSy4u>

Thank you for your cooperation in supporting our students to keep safe whilst travelling to and from school.

Yours faithfully



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