

# Cycle Safety

Changes to Policy

# Student Voice

is "any expression of any learner regarding anything related to education" and describes "the distinct perspectives and actions of young people throughout schools focused on education.

"Student voice is giving students the ability to influence learning to include policies, programs, contexts and principles."

Student voice is the individual and collective perspective and actions of students within the context of learning and education.

Some weeks ago, our Student Council raised concern regarding the dangers associated with students cycling to the academy on bikes that were often not road worthy and without a cycle helmet.

[Attached Film 1](#)

[Attached Film 2](#)

# Cycling to the Academy

- If your child is going to be cycling to or from the Academy, it is essential that their bike is in roadworthy condition and that students wear a cycle helmet.
- If a parent wishes for their child to travel to and from the Academy on a bike, they must complete a form which is an agreement that the child's bike will be maintained to a safe standard and that their child will wear a helmet to and from the academy each day.
- This agreement also gives permission for nominated staff members to carry out periodic checks on the bicycles to ensure brakes are functioning correctly, lights are working in the winter months and that the bicycles are in a safe, road worthy condition.
- We will provide an academy label to attach to the bike to authorise the bike to be stored in the academy cycle compound.

## **Havelock Academy Bicycle Code of Conduct**

1. A pupil may only bring a cycle to school when permitted to do so by the Principal.
2. The pupil must have a valid permit which will be issued by the Principal. This permit can be withdrawn at any time if a pupil disregards the Code of Conduct.
3. Pupils must ride sensibly and follow the Highway Code.
4. Pupils are expected to maintain their cycles in good working order. Checks may be carried out at anytime.
5. A cycle helmet (which meets current Safety Regulations) should be worn when cycling and pupils should be encouraged to wear bright conspicuous clothing.
6. Bike lights must be used when visibility is poor.
7. All Cyclists must dismount when entering school premises.
8. The security of cycles is the responsibility of the individual and measures should be taken to protect against theft.

## **Cycling Code of Conduct Agreement**

1. I will wear a helmet (which meets current Safety Regulations) when riding to and from school.
2. I will use bike lights when visibility is poor, when riding to and from school.
3. I will ride my bike in a sensible manner and follow the Highway Code.
4. I will keep my bike in good condition. Every time I use my bike I will check that the brakes work and my reflectors are clean.
5. I will carry anything I need in an academy back pack, and I will never carry anything under my arm or hanging from the handlebars.
6. I will not use my mobile phone or listen to any musical device when I am riding my bike.
7. I will get off and walk with my bike when I get to the school gates.
8. I will use a lock to secure my bike at school.
9. I will display my permit on my bike at all times

I understand that if I do not follow the code of conduct, my cycle permit will be removed and I will not be able to ride my bike to and from school.

Name of pupil

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Signed

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Name of parent

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If you wish to apply for a pass:-

From September 2017 we will require every student who wishes to cycle to school to apply for a permit by completing the attached application / agreement and returning it to Student Services within the academy.

Following a routine bike inspection, you will then be issued with a permit which you can attach to your bike as identification.

# Cycle Permit



## **I Love my Helmet Competition**

### **How to Enter**

- Take a selfie of yourself wearing your cycling helmet in a usual place
- Tweet your photograph with the hashtag #ilovemyhelmet on @HavelockAcademy

