Our ref: DJE/LR

11th October 2017

Re: Introduction of a Bicycle Safety Policy from Monday 30th October

Dear Parents / Carers,

We have noticed a significant increase in students who wish to ride bicycles to travel to and from school. Whilst we wish to encourage students to use their bicycles to travel to and from school, students need to ride safely and with greater awareness. Since the start of this term, we have received several complaints from local residents and concerned pedestrians, who have complained about the way the bicycles are being ridden by some students. I have also received reports of 'near misses' as a result of reckless riding.

As a result, the school will be introducing a Bicycle Safety Policy from Monday 30th October.

From this date, all students who wish to ride their bicycles to and from the College, must provide the school with written parental permission and have signed an agreement to abide by our Bicycle Safety Policy.

Please may I remind students that in order to safeguard the safety of pedestrians on our school site, students should dismount their bicycle before entering or leaving the gates.

For more information and guidance on cycling (including safety equipment and what to wear) visit the Highway Code's 'Rules for Cyclists' webpage: https://www.gov.uk/rules-for-cyclists-59-to-82

The Bicycle Policy will be shared on our College website for reference. Your support in ensuring the safety of our students is greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

Danielle Eddy