

# **Cranbourne East Primary School** BIKES & SCOOTERS Policy 2014

# RATIONALE

• Students travelling to and from school, as well as at school need to be safe. Bicycles and scooters are popular means of transport for students, but require regulation and management.

## GOALS

• To provide a school environment, which is safe for students, which is practical, and balances the rights of individuals with the schools duty of care toward all staff and students.

## **IMPLEMENTATION**

- Bicycles and scooters are very popular means of transport for students, but are also often involved in serious accidents.
- It is well recognised that young children have underdeveloped motor skills, peripheral vision and judgement.
- Our school will provide safe storage for bicycles ridden to school by students under the following conditions:
  - Students wear helmets
  - Bicycles are in road worthy condition
  - Children below Year 4 ride to school in the company of an adult.
- All parents will be made aware of these school rules, and the safety reasons supporting them.
- Students who contravene these requirements but ride bicycles to school, may not be permitted to ride their bicycles or scooters onto school property or store their bicycles or scooters at school.
- Bicycle education, road rules and safety will form part of the school curriculum.
- Scooters may be ridden to school by students wearing helmets, but must be stored inside the bike shed.
- Bicycles and scooters cannot be ridden inside the school grounds at any time.
- Students who break school rules will be managed in a manner consistent with the student engagement policy and in consultation with the parent (s).
- The Bikes and Scooters policy is to be incorporated into the School Travel Plan.

## **EVALUATION**

• This policy will be reviewed annually.