



SUMMERHILL SCHOOL

September 2026

Dear Parent/Guardian,

RE: School Bicycle Helmet Policy

We continually look at how to best support our staff, parents, and students to feel safe and safe in school and the surrounding areas.

In response to parent and community feedback, we are now focusing our attention on the safety of pupils who come to school on their bicycles. Young people are most likely to be involved in an accident on their bicycle, and our school is surrounded by busy roads. Helmets can be effective in reducing head injuries. Brain injuries are devastating, and the effects can be life lasting.

Therefore, all pupils and staff who travel to school on their bicycles **must wear a helmet** in line with the current statement on the schools' Consistency Framework.

If your child currently comes to school on a bicycle, or would like to do so, please read the Policy Framework below and use the link to complete the attached agreement.

The school, reserves the right to ban any student from bringing their bike to the school site if they persistently do not comply with the terms of the contract.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you in advance for your support of the school as always.

Yours sincerely,

Mr J Wollerton
Assistant Head Teacher – Head of Ursa House



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Policy Framework for Cyclists

Anyone wishing to ride their bike to school must follow these rules otherwise permission to cycle to school will be revoked.

You must:

- have the completed consent form from your parent/guardian;
[Bicycle Contract – Fill out form](#)
- use a helmet at all times when cycling to and from school;
- have a lock to secure your bicycle during the day;
- use lights and/or high visibility clothing when it is dark;
- dismount before you come through the school gate, then push your bike to the shelter and lock it securely;
- ride safely on the roads and be considerate to others.

You will not be allowed to ride your bike to school if you fail to follow these rules.

Mr Wollerton

Assistant Head Teacher – Head of House