

# BIKE, SCOOTER & SKATEBOARD GUIDELINES and EXPECTATIONS



Frensham Heights is a safe environment, where common sense, trust and mutual respect are key features. The following guidelines and expectations come out of various discussions with staff, Sixth Form and younger students.

## BIKE RIDERS, SCOOTERS & SKATEBOARDS

Students from Years 7 and above may bring their bike, scooter or skateboard to school (either riding to and from school, or as a boarder to be kept here for the academic year).

### SAFETY HELMETS

Students in Year 7-11 are expected to wear a safety helmet at all times when cycling, scootering or skateboarding around the campus or on a public road.

Students from the Sixth Form are deemed sensible enough to know when it is appropriate to wear a safety helmet and when it is their choice not to wear one. We recommend that when cycling, scootering or skateboarding off site and on public roads that safety helmets are worn.

### AROUND THE CAMPUS

Everybody who uses a bike, scooter or skateboard on the school campus should do so in a safe and considerate manner. We expect you to make sure your bike is road worthy and that you are cycling in a well lit area - or using bike lights so that others can see you, and to cycle at speeds which are appropriate.

### BIKE RACKS

Bikes must be parked in a bike rack.

### BOARDERS OFF SITE

Students/boarders who use their bike to go off site must ensure that a duty member of staff knows they are leaving site on their bike and that they are following the Highway Code

## BIKE PUMPTRACK

Use of the Pumptrack is limited to term time only and to those whose parents agree to them using it and have communicated directly with the Head of Outdoor Education and completed a permission contract. Students are expected to comply with the Mountain Bike Responsibility Code - which is available from the Head of Outdoor Education and visible near the Pump Track.

- Riders should not use the bike jumps track during lessons times and should go down in at least pairs.
- Boarders should inform the member of staff on duty in their House that they are going to use the bike jumps track and with whom and should sign back in with the Duty member of staff when they have finished.
- All riders must wear a safety helmet if they are intending to use the bike jumps track and are highly advised to wear elbow and knee pads (at the very least they should be very well covered by suitable and sturdy fabric e.g denim).
- All riders should be aware of who is using the track at the same time as themselves. Riders joining the group after others have started should make sure that all other riders are aware of them joining the track.
- Overtakers must clearly shout to the biker in front that they are coming through. The onus is on the overtaker to keep clear of the overtaken until well past and clear, and not to slow down when past so as to cause the overtaken to have to slow or take avoiding action.