

## **Bike/Scooter/Skateboard Policy**

### **Rationale**

Students travelling to and from school, as well as those at school, need to feel and be safe. Bicycles, skateboards and scooters (including any other version of a scooter/skateboard) are a popular means of transport for students, but their safe use requires regulation and management.

### **Policy Statement**

Rosebery Primary School will take appropriate and reasonable steps to ensure the safety of students, staff and visitors travelling to and from school, as well as those at school.

### **Aims**

- To encourage Rosebery Primary students and families to adopt safe practices for cycling/scooting/skating when riding to and from school.
- To promote an awareness among the school community of cycling/scooting/skating as healthy activities for students and as an alternative mode of travel to and from school.

### **Implementation**

- Parents/carers are responsible for their children's safety when riding bicycles/scooters/skateboards.
- Bicycles/scooters/skateboards remain the responsibility of parents/carers and must be roadworthy.
- Our school will provide secure storage for bicycles and scooters ridden to school by students.
- Students are required to wear a properly fitted helmet when riding a bicycle/scooter/skateboard, as per current NT legislation.
- In line with the *Kids Safe NT* advice, it is recommended that students in Transition to Year 4 ride to school in the company of an adult. Bicycles/scooters/skateboards are very popular methods of transport for students, however, it is well recognised that young children have underdeveloped motor skills, peripheral vision and judgement.
- Students must dismount from their bicycles/scooters/skateboards at the school entrance. Riding is not permitted inside the school grounds at any time.
- Consequences of breaking this rule may include the confiscation of the bicycle/scooter/skateboard for a period of 24 hours (in which case, they will be stored securely in the front office) and/or students not being allowed to bring their bicycle/scooter/skateboard onto the school ground for a period of time determined by the Principal or their delegate.



## Resources

- Kids Safe NT <http://www.kidsafent.com.au/bicycle-safety/>

## Evaluation

Our Bike/Scooter/Skateboard Policy's effectiveness will be measured through implementation over a period of time.

<b>Effective</b>	Term 2, 2019
<b>Date of next Review</b>	Term 2, 2022
<b>Developed by</b>	Leadership Team

