

Tuesday, 10 April 2018

Dear Parents / Caregivers

Your child will be participating in a cycle skills programme run by Ride On Marlborough at Richmond View School. Year 3-5 students will be participating in the Grade 1 (off-road) programme, where all skills are taught off road and based on the Cycling New Zealand Learn to Ride Programme. Year 6 students will be participating in the Grade 2 (on-road) programme, which begins with a recap of off-road skills, then progresses to on-road theory and skills that are undertaken in neighbouring streets around the school.

**Dates: Years 3 to 5: Thursday 10 May Year 6: Friday 11 May**

Please try and have students at school by 8:30am. The programme will run from 9:00am - 2:45pm.

**Your child will need:**

- Bike and helmet
- Sunscreen
- Covered shoes (no open toed shoes, sandals, jandals or crocs)
- Lunch
- Water bottle
- Warm top / raincoat / change of clothes (in case of wet weather)

**If you do not have a bike or helmet, please let your teacher know you need to borrow a bike (free)**

**Bike and Helmet Checks**

All personal bikes and helmets need to be pre-checked so we can get straight into activities on the day. It also ensures children can participate safely and enjoy the experience. Please remove rear axle pegs on freestyle bikes.

**You have two options for checking your child's bike and helmet:**

**Option 1 – FREE Local Bike Shop Check – RECOMMENDED**

Use the attached voucher to redeem your FREE check. The bike shop mechanic will give your bike and helmet a check and tune so it is ready to go on the day. The bike shop will contact you first if there are any repairs needed, which will be at your expense. If repairs are not possible or cost too much, please let your teacher know you need to borrow a bike. Please ensure you also adjust your helmet using the attached checklist.

**Option 2 - 'Bike and Helmet Home Checklist'**

Use the attached sheet to help your child check their bike and helmet. Any repairs identified need to be fixed before the day or as above you can borrow a bike. If you choose this option, **your child must bring their bike and helmet to school the week before on Thursday 3 May** for the classes Bike Check and Safety session.

We are looking forward to this fun programme being run at your school.



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I give permission for \_\_\_\_\_ to participate in the Ride On Programme, *specifically Grade 1 (off-road) programme for Year 3-5 students or Grade 2 (on-road) programme for Year 6 students.*

My child needs to borrow a bike **Yes / No** My child is stable on a two wheeler **Yes / No**

We require at least two adults per class to help on the day to ensure sessions run safely. Your help is appreciated!

I can help from 8:30am – 12.30pm **Yes / No** I can help from 1:00pm – 3:00pm **Yes / No**

Name of adult helping \_\_\_\_\_ Signed \_\_\_\_\_

**Please cut off and return this slip to your teacher as soon as possible**