

 Plenty Valley <small>CHRISTIAN COLLEGE</small> <small>In Christ: Wisdom & Knowledge</small>		<h2>Bike and Cycling Policy</h2>	
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Rationale

Students travelling to and from College, as well as those at College, need to be and feel safe. Bicycles are a popular means of transport for students, but their safe use requires regulation and management.

Objectives

To encourage Plenty Valley Christian College students and families to adopt safe practices for cycling when riding to and from the College.

To promote an awareness among the College community of cycling as a healthy activity for students and as an alternative mode of travel to and from the college.

Implementation

- Parents/carers are responsible for their children's safety when they ride bicycles to and from the College.
- Bicycles remain the responsibility of parents/carers and must be roadworthy.
- The College will provide appropriate storage for bicycles ridden to the College by students. Initially this will be a bike rack without shelter.
- Students must provide their own means for securing their bicycle storage area. The College recommends that cyclists provide a sturdy lock and/or chain to secure their bike.
- Students must wear a properly fitted helmet and are encouraged to wear a safety vest when riding a bicycle, or a bright coloured equivalent.
- In line with Vic Roads' advice, it is College policy that students:
 - Prep to Year 4 ride to the College in the company of an adult. Bicycles are very popular methods of transport for students however it is well recognised that young children have underdeveloped motor skills, peripheral vision and skills of judgement;
 - Students in Year 5 to 12 may ride to school without an adult.
- When entering the College ground bicycles are to be ridden directly to the bicycle storage area. Apart from this riding is not permitted inside the College grounds at any time, unless under direct supervision of an appropriately trained teacher.
- Students who break College rules will be managed in accordance with the College's Discipline Policy. Consequences of breaking these rules may include students not being allowed to bring their bike onto the College grounds for a period of time determined by the Principal or their delegate.
- Within the above context, cycling will be promoted as a healthy activity for students and as an alternative mode of travel to and from the College.
- Riding skateboards is not permitted on College Property.

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