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Dear Parents & Guardians

Your child will shortly have the opportunity to take part in Bikeability training with PASS. This is a nationally recognised course with the content having been approved by the Department for Transport. The course will be delivered in accordance with this national standard, designed to provide your child with the necessary skills and confidence to be able to cycle on the road. The following link will take you to the Bikeability website which provides full details of what our training entails. <https://bikeability.org.uk/>

Our instructors are all qualified, insured, DBS checked and first aid trained. We have fully risk-assessed our training and follow practices to keep everyone safe.

We have a number of bikes and helmets that can be borrowed for the training so please do not be put off if your child does not have their own bike. Please just indicate this when you register.

To book a place for your child on the course please register via the link below by **Friday 8th December:**

<https://forms.office.com/e/Xh8rgdFf8g>

Bikeability is not a pass/fail course and all riders taking part will develop skills within the National Standard. The first part of the course will take the children through the level 1 phase and is conducted on the school playground. Those riders achieving all the elements of level 1 will then be taken onto local roads that have been risk assessed by us as being suitable for training purposes. They will then be taught level 2 skills that will give them the confidence to ride on the road. For safety reasons riders progressing to this part of the training must have evidenced all the level 1 elements to be able to be taken out onto the roads that we will be using.

Part of our risk assessment during the course is consideration of the weather conditions. We will continue with training in moderately inclement weather, so it is essential that you make sure that in addition to a correctly fitting helmet, your child has warm clothes, a waterproof coat and gloves if wet weather is forecasted. If the weather is likely to be hot, we would ask that your child have sun cream with them.

Where possible, can their outer clothing be brightly coloured. For safety reasons school shoes or trainers should be worn rather than sandals or flip flops.

Your child will have a lot of fun on the course, and they will learn valuable skills that they will benefit from as they grow up. We look forward to meeting with them on the course.

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PASS Bikeability Team

Once pupils are registered I will work out grouping and send you a more detailed delivery schedule. Please let me know if you need any other information.

Many thanks,

Mr Allchin

PE subject leader

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