3rd November 2025

Dear Parents/Carers

Year 6 Bikeability – Shakespeare Irwin and Cadbury classes

As part of our school's commitment to issues concerning safety, the road safety team from Leicestershire County Council have been invited to teach aspects of cycle safety. The scheme is called 'Bikeability', the aim of which is for participants to achieve a road safety award when cycling on their bicycles. The scheme will be **free of charge**.

Each child will need a bicycle and helmet to participate and these will need to be brought to school on the relevant days. Participants **must be able to ride their bicycle**. Before any practical training takes place, bicycles will be checked for roadworthiness. Those that do not meet the required standard (size of bike, brakes, tyres etc.) cannot be used on the course. After that, a series of practical 'on road' cycle sessions will follow, in which the children will also need their bicycles.

We strongly believe that this is a valuable opportunity, and urge as many children as possible to take part. We regard this as a positive and valuable experience for all children. If you wish your child to participate, please complete the tear-off slip below and return it to school by Friday 7th November 2025. There is a maximum of 24 places which will be allocated on a first come first served basis. The training will take place on the following dates Monday 24th November to Thursday 28th November 2025 weather permitting. You will receive confirmation of allocated groups closer to the dates. If you do not have a bike or helmet and would like you child to take part, please contact the school office to discuss.

Please complete the slip below if you would like your child to participate in this scheme.

Yours sincerely

R Ayres

Mrs R Ayres
Headteacher

BIKEABILITY LEVELS 1 AND 2-PARENTAL CONSENT FORM

(Please return to school by Friday 29th November 2024)

Child's name	Class	Parent/Carer Name	

I give permission for my child to participate in Leicestershire County Council Bikeability training.

Signed……
(person with legal responsibility for the child)

I have read and understood the guidance on bike condition, helmets and clothing and worked through pre-course check list with my child.

Signed……
(person with legal responsibility for the child)

I can confirm that my child can demonstrate an ability to ride a bike.

Signed ……
(person with legal responsibility for the child)

(Please tick one of the following):

My child rides regularly		My child rides sometimes		My child does not ride	

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