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### Safe Travel to School – Bike & Scooter Helmets

Dear Parents and Carers,

At Green Ridge Primary Academy, the safety of our children is always our highest priority. As the weather improves and more pupils choose to travel to school by bike or scooter, we are writing to remind all families of the importance of wearing a properly fitted helmet.

Scooters can appear low-risk because children remain close to standing height. However, the speed achieved and the mechanics of a fall, often involving a sudden slip and direct impact onto tarmac or concrete, can generate significant force to the skull. A helmet provides essential protection, reducing the severity of head injuries and helping keep children safe on their journeys.

We kindly ask that all children who ride a bike or scooter to school wear a helmet every day. Children may keep a named helmet either attached to their bike or scooter throughout the day or bring it into the classroom. Please also take a moment to check that your child's helmet fits correctly, is securely fastened, and is in good condition.

If your child is in receipt of Pupil Premium funding, please speak to the office about support that we can offer.

Thank you for your continued support in keeping our school community safe. Working together, we can ensure that all pupils enjoy active travel while staying well protected.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs. Jen Fraser  
Headteacher