

Our ref                   OFA/ABS/TC

9 March 2017

Dear Parent/Guardian

**Re                           Riding Bikes and Scooters to the Academy**

You may remember that I had to bar students from riding bikes and scooters to the academy for a short period, because a few students were unsafe. Unfortunately, we have had a number of complaints and a couple of minor incidents over the last few weeks. Whilst this is a small minority of children who weave in between traffic and do 'wheelies' on main roads, it is impossible for us to police this beyond the immediate vicinity of the academy.

As such, I am making the difficult decision to ban bikes and scooters from Monday 13 March until Easter in the first instance. After Easter we will organise cycling proficiency tests and those that take the test will be issued a pass to ride their bikes/scooters to and from the academy.

I appreciate this is a drastic measure and sympathise with those children who are always sensible, but the safety of our young people is paramount.

Thank you for your support.

Yours faithfully



Andrew Burns  
Principal

