

LALOR EAST PRIMARY SCHOOL

BIKE EDUCATION POLICY

Rationale

Lalor East Primary School through its Bike Education Program will aim to reduce the over representation of children in cycling and traffic accidents.

Broad Guidelines

The Bike Education Program is designed to assist students to:

- become safe, independent cyclists
- promote and practice safe strategies for riding in traffic
- familiarise children with the relevant road laws
- develop a responsible attitude in children in regards to looking after their bikes and wearing a helmet while riding.

Implementation

- an 'expression of interest' note will be sent home prior to the commencement of the Bike Education program
- the Bike Education program will be offered to all Grade 4 children. If there is insufficient interest amongst Grade 4's, the program will be offered to Grade 3's
- children's bikes will be inspected for safety, by Bike Education teachers before they can participate
- Bike Education will be held for a total of 10 hours; 5 weeks with 2 x 1 hour sessions
- where possible two Bike Education trained teachers will run the program to reduce the group sizes
- provide Bike Education professional development training for teachers
- provide information to the children on traffic safety and traffic rules
- children will complete the first 4 modules from the Bike Education Program.

Evaluation

The effectiveness of the Bike Education policy will be evaluated:

- by the Health & Physical Education coordinator and the Bike Education coordinating teachers
- in consultation with teachers.

Review

The School Council and staff regularly monitor and review the effectiveness of the Bike Education Policy (at least once every three years) and revise the policy when required.

Ratified at School Council: May 2015

Next review: May 2018