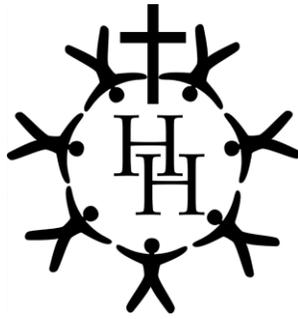


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Dear Parents/Carers,

SCOOT TO SCHOOL LAUNCH EVENTS

I am happy to announce that we are having a launch event for the opening of our scooter pods. These will take place on:-

- Monday, 20th October – Key Stage 2 children (classes 3, 4 and 5)
- Tuesday, 21st October – Key Stage 1 children (classes 1 and 2)

On these days, children in those classes are invited to come to school on their scooters. Once here, a representative from Sustrans will be available to answer any queries you may have with regards scooting to school, check over scooters to ensure they are safe and they will also give safety talks to the children.

SAFE SCOOTING TO SCHOOL POSTER COMPETITION

To complement the launch events, we would like to hold a “Safe Scooting” poster competition. All children are invited to attend and there will be a prize available for a winner from each class. Posters should be on A4 paper and the closing date for the competition is the 20th October, 2014. I would love to see lots of children participating!

SOME SAFETY NOTES

We all want to ensure the safety of all our children so the following rules must be adhered to when scooting to school:-

- No scooting down the hill from Kirkgate to High Street – this is a very steep hill with a busy road at the bottom. I have liaised with the Church and they are happy for families to walk through the Churchyard, through the gate and past the vicarage as we consider this to be slightly safer. Failing this, children will need to walk down the hill pushing their scooters
- No scooting in the playground – scooters must be placed directly into the scooter park on a morning
- It is parents’/carers’ responsibility to ensure the safety of your children travelling to, and from, school

PARKING

Once again, I would like to remind you to park considerately and safely around school at morning drop off and afternoon pick up times.

The intention of the scooter pods is to promote travelling to school by not using the car so we are trying to reduce traffic around school and hope that families engage with us in trying to achieve this.

The School Ambassadors are currently working out a suitable timetable to ensure that as many children as possible have the opportunity to “Scoot to School” and they will send out further information as to plans for use of the scooter pods on a daily basis starting from after half term.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs J Thompson

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