

Traffic and Road Safety Services

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To Year 6 parents and carers
Upland Primary School

Dear Parent/ Carer

Term-time Cycle Training

I am pleased to inform you that the school has arranged a Bike ability Level 2 course to be delivered to pupils in Year 6 during school time between Monday 19th and Friday 23rd February 2018 and 26th and 30th March 2018

The course aims to provide Levels 1 and 2 training to children who are **competent cyclists** i.e. able to ride a bike well unaided (can take one hand of the handlebar to signal, look behind etc., without wobbling). Most of the training will take place on quiet, risk assessed, public roads. However, they will not gain experience of riding on busier roads, nor in heavy traffic. It therefore remains your responsibility to decide if your child may ride on the road unaccompanied after completing the course.

It is important your child has a roadworthy bicycle of the correct size. If, in the instructor's opinion, the bicycle is not roadworthy or is the wrong size, your child may not be allowed to take part in the course. BMX style bikes are allowed but **MUST** have two working brakes.

Trainees must wear an approved cycling helmet (not full-face) and should also wear appropriate clothing suitable for cycling and the weather conditions (cold/warm/wet!). We would also recommend a high visibility waistcoat/top if you have one.

There will be a short break during each session and we would ask that your child bring a small snack and drink (not fizzy) in a rucksack each day. This will help maintain energy and hydration levels.

Although the London Borough of Bexley holds an insurance policy covering third-party claims, it is not a personal accident scheme. The Council will not be liable for any accident or injury to a child, or loss/damage to property, except in cases resulting from negligence by the Council.

To book a place for your child please complete the attached consent form and return it to the school office by **05/01/2018**. Places are limited. If you have any questions, or need further information, please call The Road Safety Team on 0203 045 5753.

Yours faithfully

Sally Barrett

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