



Arnold Mill Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers

LEVEL 1 & 2 COMBINED BIKEABILITY - for the children who will be in Year 5 & 6 during Academic Year 2023/24

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In the next academic year, the team from Via East Midlands' Bikeability Scheme, in partnership with Nottinghamshire County Council will be visiting school to run Level 1 and 2 Combined Bikeability sessions.

The two-hour course is devised to teach children the necessary skills to use their bike safely when starting to ride without adult supervision. The course comprises Level 1 (1 x two hours in the school grounds) and Level 2 (3 x two hours on-road sessions) and takes place over two consecutive days. **All sessions must be attended** (maximum of 12 children per group).

To participate your child **MUST meet the following criteria:**

- be able to ride a bike independently and with confidence.
- bring a bike (*which must be in good working order, complete with working brakes and lights*) and cycle helmet to school in the morning of their session (date to be confirmed). The Bikeability staff do not have time to do thorough checks on bikes, but if the bike is judged to be unsafe, your child will not be allowed to take part, and this would obviously be very upsetting for them.

There is **no charge** for the course **unless** you submit the electronic form requesting a place and **your child is subsequently withdraw** due to one of the following reasons:

- your child does not have access to a bicycle/helmet for the course.
- your child cannot ride independently and safely on a public road.
- you/your child changes their mind after the numbers have been passed to the County Council on 5th May 2023
- the County Council instructor indicates that their bicycle is unsafe/unroadworthy.
- your child is absent from school for an authorised/unauthorised family holiday.

Please note, if you apply and the course is cancelled by Via, the County Council or Arnold Mill Primary School due to insufficient take up there be no charge.

To apply for the scheme we have to confirm the number of places required, if you would like to put your child's name down for a place please complete the electronic form ([click here](#) by **NOON ON 5TH MAY 2023**. We will not be able to accept any requests after this County Council deadline.

We are sure you will agree that this is a valuable life skill and will encourage children to enjoy the freedom that cycling can bring, increase confidence, and lead a healthy life. We will be in touch if/when the course details are confirmed.

Thank you.

Mrs Greentree and Mr Robinson