

Risk Assessment for: Use of the school bike track (club or lunchtime activity)		
Risk assessment number:	Assessment by: SLT	Date: 04/04/2025
	Manager Approval: Head teacher	Date: 04/04/2025

What are the hazards?	Who might be harmed and how?	What are you already doing?
Hazards on the track	Cyclists - falling on debris, uneven surface.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check the surfaces prior to use – remove any debris • Children to wear protective pads and helmets to ride (only exemptions are for religious headgear and must have parental permission).
Weather	Cyclists - slipping on the track Inclement, Slippery surfaces, excessive wind or poor visibility, brakes failing in wet conditions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Track only to be used in dry conditions • Sessions end if it starts to rain or the grass is wet from earlier rain.
Proficiency of cyclists	Cyclists – falling or crashing due to poor cycling ability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All parents must give permission to use and confirm their child is proficient in riding a cycle. • All cyclists must be able to ride the bike safely – demonstrate good balance, steering control, and braking ability before using the track.
Cyclists health	Cyclists may become unwell whilst riding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School aware of medical conditions. • First Aid kit carried. • Staff have first aid certificate.
Condition of bicycles	Cyclists falling from bicycles that are not roadworthy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check the cycles before each use. • Any cycle to be fixed before used. • Children to wear protective pads (legs and arms). • Children to wear protective helmets.
Clothing	Cyclists – getting clothes trapped in mechanisms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children advised about loose clothing and shoelaces – fastened before cycling. • Trousers tucked into socks before riding
Collision	Cyclists – colliding with other track users	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only five cyclists to use the track at a time (groups of ten children per session) • Only one bike to use the track at a time, a cyclist will only start on the track once it is clear and the signal is given by the adult. • All cyclists wait together off the track with one moving to the start position when signaled to by an adult.