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Dear Parents and Carers

Many thanks for the responses received regarding the 'Bikeability Try It sessions' next term.

We are pleased to be working with Surrey County Council and Active Surrey to ensure all year 6 children at Hale can participate in the **Bikeability Level 2 training 20**th-**24**th **January 2025**. This is a pilot programme to encourage more families to travel actively be it to school or other locations. It is **free** for all children from the school to take part as it is fully funded by Active Surrey.

In addition, to make this possible for all children to participate, Active Surrey are providing bikes for those children who do not have access to a cycle for the training

Important information:

- If your child does not have access to a cycle, please follow this link to let us know for the Borrow-A-Cycle Try Out Day taking place during the school day at Hale on **7th and 8th January** using the following link by the 16th December:
 - https://surreycycletraining.online/public/school_training/111644/
- If your child **does have a bike and helmet**, they <u>also</u> need to bring them to school on 7th and 8th January to be available to use on either day so that these can also be checked in advance of the level 2 course.
- Please follow this link to book your child onto the Bikeability Level 2 training course which will be held during the week beginning 20th January and the week beginning 3rd February. The deadline for this is also Monday 16th December:
 - https://surreycycletraining.online/public/school_training/111493/

During the 'Try It' sessions, your child will:

Be fitted with a bike and helmet that they will be able to use for the Bikeability Level 2 training if they do not own one.

All children will receive a one to one skill check from Surrey County Council cycling instructors to ensure your child has the necessary skills to ride on the roads. If your child needs extra support to learn to ride, learn to look over their shoulder whilst riding in a straight line or take one hand off the handle bars whilst controlling their cycle, the instructors will help with this (unfortunately we cannot guarantee that your child will master these skills and will endeavour to offer alternative training if this is the case).

As part of the ambition to encourage more cycling, Surrey County Council and Active Surrey have secured funding to offer up-cycled cycles to those children who complete the Bikeability Level 2 training using a Surrey borrowed bike and don't have access to one of their own – we will be in touch with more information in due course.

Thank you for reading to the end – lots of information!

Kind regards,

Mrs Harrison

Deputy Head Teacher