Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Riding a bicycle or scooter to school should be a positive experience for senior students. When you feel that your child can demonstrate the skills and knowledge to confidently, safely and responsibly ride a bicycle or scooter to and from school, you and your child are required to read, agree to and sign the code of behaviour below. It is strongly recommended that only Year 5 & 6 students be encouraged to ride to and from school as younger students can lack the cognitive skills and peripheral vision to deal with unforeseen circumstances by themselves.

**Code of Behaviour for riding a bicycle/scooter to and from school**

I am ready to accept the responsibility to safely ride my bicycle/scooter (circle one) to and from school. As a safe and responsible rider I will:

- **wear a correctly fitted bicycle helmet** (meeting Standards Australia) at all times when riding to and from school
- ensure that my bicycle/scooter is the right size for me and that it is **roadworthy**; with **working brakes** and a warning device such as a bell.
- ride on a footpath, keeping to the left and **give way to pedestrians at all times**.
- **dismount and walk my bicycle/scooter across pedestrian crossings and within the school grounds**
- **ride with care and at a safe speed at all times** when riding to and from school
- Maintain control of my bicycle/scooter with two wheels on the ground at all times. I understand that it’s an offence to ride with both hands off the handlebars, feet off the pedals or to carry anything which prevents me from having control
- **dismount and walk my bicycle/scooter when using use the school pedestrian gates to enter and exit the school grounds**
- **securely lock my bicycle/scooter to the bicycle rack provided**. I understand that the school holds no responsibility for lost or damaged bicycles or scooters
- **not interfere** with any bicycle/scooter or helmet belonging to another student

I have read the Code of Behaviour carefully with my parents and understand it.

I am aware that not following the Code of Behaviour may result in the removal of the privilege of parking my bike or scooter at school.

I agree to abide by the Code of Behaviour at all times when riding to and from Connells Point Public School.

Child’s name)……………………………………………..Class:……….

Signed: (Child)………………………………………………Date: …/…/……….

Witnessed: (Parent/Carer)…………………………………….. Date: …/…/……….