



THE ECCLESBOURNE SCHOOL

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Derbyshire Police – E-Scooters

Dear Parents and Carers,

Schools in Derbyshire have been asked by the Police and Crime Commissioner to share important information about a change of policy regarding E-Scooters.

“From 1st November 2024, Derbyshire Constabulary will move to a ‘seize and dispose’ approach. Officers who engage anyone using an e-scooter in a public place will seize the e-scooter, before sending it to be disposed of after 14 days, in accordance with Section 165A of the Road Traffic Act (1998). Previously offenders usually received a warning on the first occasion they were stopped.

The user may be liable for prosecution for several offences, including driving without insurance, tax, or licence. In some circumstances, parents may also be criminally liable for the use of e-scooters by their children.

As we get closer to Christmas, more people may be in the market to purchase an e-scooter.

However, it is important to remind parents and students of the rules surrounding e-scooter use.

- It is illegal to use an e-scooter in public areas.
- An e-scooter can only legally be used on private land with the owner’s permission.
- Parents may also be liable for prosecution as well.

As of Friday 1 November, officers who engage anyone using an e-scooter in a public place will seize the e-scooter, before sending it to be disposed after 14 days. “

If you would like more information, you may find the following link helpful.

<https://www.derbyshire.police.uk/advice/advice-and-information/rs/road-safety/advice-escooters>

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you a restful and restorative half term holiday.

Yours sincerely

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