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Year 3/4 Scooter Skills Sessions

Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to inform you that your child will be taking part in some organised scooter sessions next Thursday, 28th April.

The aim of the session is to improve children's confidence and stability when riding their scooters so that they can scoot to school safely. The children will be taking part in fun challenges in the playground to develop their balance, awareness and road safety skills. The sessions will be delivered by Patsy Pallister from Modeshift STARS' South Yorkshire Active Travel Team and are free for all pupils thanks to funding from the Department for Transport through Doncaster Council.

To take part in this event...

We invite every Year 3/4 pupil who would like to take part to **bring their scooter** to school if they have one. If your child does not have a scooter but would like to take part, school are able to provide one for the sessions. All children **must bring a well-fitting helmet** to take part. Again, school are able to provide these for the session if you do not already own one. If your child usually wears elbow/knee pads while scooting and you would like them to wear these on the day, you can send this safety wear with your child. However, we have been advised that by Modeshift STARS this isn't considered necessary equipment for the activities that will be undertaken. Please also ensure your child dresses for the weather as the sessions will take place in the playground. **Appropriate footwear** should be worn (no open toe sandals/flip flops, heels, loose fitting shoes etc). The sessions are part of Carr Lodge Academy's commitment to encourage all children to travel actively on the journey to and from school.

If you would like your child to be able to participate in the session, no action is needed as the sessions have been planned for all of our Year 3/4 pupils. If, however, you would like to opt your child out of these sessions, please speak to your child's class teacher to make them aware of this. There should be no stigma to anyone wishing to opt out, as the sessions are being run in small groups of around 9 pupils at a time, with the rest of the class remaining in their lessons as normal.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Best regards,

Mr Gill PE Coordinator Patsy Pallister Modeshift STARS Active Travel Officer, Doncaster