Dr Cranky's
a bike for every child

School Bike Checks

Getting kids on bikes — safe, inclusive and fun.

A registered charity program delivered in partnership with schools, local councils and communities.

About Dr Cranky's

Dr Cranky's is a registered charity working with schools, local councils, and communities to ensure every child has access to a safe, working bike. We help families check and fix their bikes, and provide recycled bikes, helmets, and locks to those who could not otherwise afford them.

Why School Bike Checks?

- Ensuring every child's bike is safe to ride
- Providing recycled bikes to children who need them
- Hands-on learning for students with additional needs
- Partnering with local councils, schools and families
- Building community engagement and inclusion

8,000+
children given access to a safe, working bike

120+
sites reached

700,000+
extra bike rides generated per year

12,900+
community connections made

How the Program Works

The standard program visits your school across two days and four sessions — two before school and two after school — so families who miss the first visit have a second chance to participate.

Day 1 — Bike Safety Checks

Two sessions: before school and after school

Families bring bikes to be checked by Dr Cranky's qualified mechanics. Each bike receives a safety inspection and minor on-the-spot repairs — fitting a bell, reflectors, adjusting brakes, tightening handlebars, or replacing a tube. Suitable donated bikes are also repaired on-site for distribution at the follow-up session.

Volunteers: Parent or staff volunteers help manage queues, record owner details, pump tyres and assist with fitting accessories. Children are encouraged to help.

Day 2 — Follow-Up & Bike Distribution

One to two weeks later, two sessions: before and after school

Families who missed Day 1 can bring their bikes. Dr Cranky's brings recycled bikes sourced to match requests from the first session, ready to be distributed to families who need them.

Volunteers: Volunteers help manage queues, record details, and assist with tyre pumping and fitting accessories.

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Want Dr Cranky's at your school?

Get in touch to find out how to bring a School Bike Checks session to your school.

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