

## CYCLE OF SONG – ANTHEM

(based on the poem by Hollie McNish) by Rowena Whitehead and Kirsty Martin

### CHORUS 1

SATB: Parkers Piece, Gonville Place, turn right into Regent Street  
Sidney Street, Round Church, St. John's, Trinity, Kings Parade  
Trumpington Street, down the road to Trumpington High Street  
The road – is ready – for me-e-e!  
KIDS: (And we're away....) x 2

### REFRAIN *(Refrain 1: B & T are in unison, then in canon)*

B&T: This is why I ride, freewheeling – this is why I ride\*; I like to fly  
This is why I ride, freewheeling – this is why I ride...  
*(First time together, then second time Tenor goes into a canon x 1.5 (up to \*) then back to beginning for V1)*  
KIDS: Life is much more fun, riding on my bike  
Park or school or home, anywhere I like!

### VERSE 1

BT: *(Tenor back in time with Bass)*  
This is why I ride, freewheeling – this is why I ride; I like to fly  
This is why I ride, freewheeling – this is why I ride...  
AS: All I need – is the helmet on my head  
Bike pump, backpack, water bottle, knee pads perhaps  
Tyre tracks not too low, spokes not choked  
Gears and brakes not jammed – and I'm ready to go!  
KIDS: And I'm ready to go – hurry up!  
And I'm ready to go – come on everyone!

### CHORUS 2

SATB: Parkers Piece, Lensfield Road, Fen Causeway, Newnham Road  
Granchester Street, Eltisley Avenue and past the swimming club,  
Granchester Meadows, carry on, to the tea gardens  
The road – is ready – for me-e-e!  
KIDS: (And we're away....) x 2

### REFRAIN *(Refrain 1: A & S are in unison, then in canon)*

A&S: This is why I ride, freewheeling – this is why I ride\*; I like to fly

This is why I ride, freewheeling – this is why I ride...

*(First time together, then second time Sop goes into a canon x 1.5 (up to \*) then back to beginning for V2)*

KIDS: Life is much more fun, riding on my bike  
Park or school or home, anywhere I like!

**VERSE 2** *(Sop back in time with Alto)*

AS: This is why I ride, freewheeling – this is why I ride; I like to fly  
This is why I ride, freewheeling – this is why I ride...

BT: I ride for one slice of freedom, walking seems so slow  
Wheels fly in motion, and I'm ready to go – o!

KIDS: And I'm ready to go – hurry up!  
And I'm ready to go – come on everyone!

**CHORUS 3**

SATB: Parkers Piece, Clarendon Street, New Street into Fair Street,  
Across Midsummer Common, mind the cows along Riverside,  
to Stourbridge, watch the boats rowing down the river  
The road – is ready – for me-e-e!

**VERSE 1 OVER VERSE 2** *(in four part harmony (five with kids!))*

BT: I ride for one slice of freedom, walking is so slow  
Wheels fly in motion, and I'm ready to go – o!

AS: All I need – is the helmet on my head  
Bike pump, backpack, water bottle, knee pads perhaps  
Tyre tracks not too low, spokes not choked  
Gears and brakes not jammed – and I'm ready to go!

KIDS: And I'm ready to go – hurry up!  
And I'm ready to go – come on everyone!

**CODA**

SATB: The world outside is ours – the marks say we belong  
So we ride along the path – and the road is ready for me-e-e!

KIDS: Life is much more fun, riding on my bike  
Riding on my bike – anywhere I like x 4

ALTO & KIDS : Riding on my bike.....anywhere I like

B, T & S: Riding on my bike.....hurry up!