

STOP, DROP AND GO



Often drivers are observed parking in areas they shouldn't, eg Two Minute Stop Drop and Go Zone, the No Standing/ Parking zones, bus stops and private driveways. These actions are potentially dangerous to children travelling to and from

school. Some of these poor driver behaviours lead to frustration for motorists and can result in complaint calls to the school or Council officers.

Police and Council will visit schools periodically during the year. Motorists may receive traffic offence/parking notices.

The success of our two minute "Look Out" Stop Drop and Go zone requires cooperation and patience from all motorists and children, to ensure quick clearance of vehicles in the zone.

How can you help improve the road safety at the school loading zone.

DO:

- Talk to your children. Tell them what time you will be collecting them and to be there waiting for you.
- Ask them to look out for your car.
- Plan your trip - delay your arrival time in the afternoon. The children will be safe if they are waiting at the Stop Drop and Go zone.
- Pick-up or drop-off children only by the car's kerb side doors.
- Make sure the children wear their seatbelts.
- Drive out safely - indicate and check.
- If your children are not at your arranged collection area, go around the block and try again or park legally and collect them.

DON'T

- **Arrive early in the afternoon or morning and park in the "Look Out" Stop Drop and Go Zone.**
- **Park for longer than 2 minutes.**
- **Park in the "Look Out" Stop Drop and Go Zone, get out of your vehicle and walk away.**
- **Double park anywhere.**
- **Use staff parking or bus areas.**

Some ways to reduce the large numbers of cars waiting to park is to:

- Talk with other parents - share a vacant seat - car pool.
- Use school bus transport.
- Walk with children to school one day a week (short distances).

Some alternate strategies used every day by parents include:

- **Wait for 10 minutes after school time and enter the STOP, DROP, GO area with ease.**
- **Park around the corner in Guara Grove and enjoy the short walk.**
- **Park at Pimpama Tennis courts and meet your children at the courts.**
- **The Shopping Centre in Guara Grove is available with limited parking.**
- **Park at the back of the school in Lumeah Avenue and meet your children at the other end of the nature reserve. A short walk only.**

