



# Road Safety

Roads around schools are busy places, usually only briefly in the morning and afternoon when students are being dropped off and picked up. Patience, care and consideration is vital to ensuring everyone's safety and wellbeing, especially our children as they don't have the traffic experience, judgement and skills of adults.

Please take note of the below safety tips around our school and share these with other family members and carers who drop off and pick up children.

## Escort Children across the Road – Do Not Have Them Cross the Road to You

To ensure your children's safety, please cross the road to collect your children rather than having them cross the road by themselves to come to you or enter school.

## Park or Use the Stop, Kiss and Go Zones

Please do not have children enter your car unless you are in the Stop, Kiss and Go Zone or parked. Please do not double park on Boscombe Road and call children to your car as this is dangerous. See below for information on using the Stop, Kiss and Go Zones.

## Please Do Not Do U-Turns

Please do not do U-turns in driveways or the staff carpark on Boscombe Road. Drive the short distance around the block to change direction at the Brookfield Road roundabout.

## Use the Pedestrian Entrances, Not Driveways

Please use the pedestrian entrances, including at the Administration Area on Boscombe Road rather than the Administration Car Park entrance, to teach children good safety and minimise the risk of injury.

## Walk Bikes to the School Hall and Rural Fire Brigade

Because of the busyness of the footpath on Boscombe Road, all members of our school community are asked to walk bikes to the School Hall and Rural Fire Brigade and ride from there.

A bike rack is installed near the School Hall so that students don't have to make the steep trek up the hill. Alternatively, they can park bikes in the bike racks in the Administration Car Park.

## Do Not Use the Gate 3 Staff Car Park or Administration Car Park

Please do not use the Gate 3 Staff Car Park (near the School Hall) or Administration Car Park to drop off or collect children. Please use the Stop, Kiss and Go zones, Gate 1 Car Park or parks along Boscombe Road.

## Horses Must Give Way to Pedestrians

Horse riders must give way to pedestrians when riding on a footpath or nature strip, including in our Stop, Kiss and Go Zones Zone and people entering and exiting cars parked alongside our school. Horses can be unpredictable, as can children, and so special care is needed.



# Stop, Kiss and Go Zones

The Stop, Kiss and Go Zones require the cooperation of all members of our school community in order to work effectively and efficiently. Please do not park in these zones to ensure all parents and carers are able to access these zones efficiently to drop off and collect their children. Students are instructed to look out for their cars and be ready to go.

Stop, Kiss and Go Zones help to make school zones safe because children are dropped off and picked up close to the school's entrance (so they do not need to cross any roads). They reduce traffic jams around the school (as parents and carers come and go faster than if they were to park and walk in).

Our Stop, Kiss and Go Zones are located on Boscombe Road outside the school. In the afternoons, three House zones operate:

- Paterson – outside Gate 3
- Mackellar – outside Gate 2
- Lawson – outside Gate 1

For everyone's safety and the smooth-running of the Stop, Kiss and Go Zones:

Please do not:

- park in these areas along Boscombe Road
- do u-turns on Boscombe Road or in the entry to the staff carpark. Drive the short distance around the block to change direction.
- have your children cross the road or car park to you – come to them and walk them across the road
- stop in the middle of the zone if there is space in front of you
- leave large gaps between cars
- go around other cars in your House zone. The zones operate more effectively and safely when everyone moves off together

Please, do:

- stagger drop off between 8:40am to 8:55am and pick up between 3:00pm and 3:15pm
- be patient
- display your family's name on the passenger side sun visor so that they can be called and ready when you stop. Let our Administration Office know if you need visor labels.
- join the queue and stay with the vehicle at all times
- use the area as a "drive through" service, with the zone operating like a fast-moving taxi rank, and not a parking bay. When operating well, groups of cars will unload/load at the same time and move off at the same time
- if you are at the front of the queue, move to the top of the zone so that the most cars possible can stop and safely unload/load behind you
- help your child disembark then say goodbye and leave straight away in the morning
- tell your children before school and/or put a note in their bag to remind them at the end of day of where they are to meet you
- tell your child to go straight to their House Stop, Kiss and Go Zone in the afternoon, look for your car and be ready
- help your child buckle up and leave straight away in the afternoon
- go around the queue if it's not for your House zone and it is safe to do so and join the queue for your House zone



#### Gate 1 Car Park

Please follow the signage in the Gate 1 Car Park to ensure the flow of cars in this area. Please only turn left onto Boscombe Road from this area to maintain the flow of traffic on Boscombe Road and minimise the risk of accidents by crossing the traffic.

The gravelled area in Gate 1 is not school property and so use of this area is at your own risk.

#### Reporting Issues

Please report any parking issues to Brisbane City Council, dangerous driving to the Queensland Police Service and general student or parent traffic behaviour to the Administration Office.