

Police have received a number of complaints in relation to parents parking illegally outside school grounds.

Although this is an ongoing issue and Police conduct patrols of schools on a regular basis it is important to educate parents and carers on the importance of parking safely before and after school.

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#### ARE YOU SCHOOL SAFE –

"Illegal parking around schools endangers children's lives".

If you've heard the expression "it's only a matter of time until someone gets hurt" then you'll understand why it is important for EVERYONE to obey the road rules.

School opening and closing hours are busy times for pedestrians and vehicles outside the school.

Park safely even if it means walking further to the school gate. Schools provide information in school newsletters and emails to promote safe behaviour and this includes parking legally during drop off and pick up times.

Always take extra care in 40km/h school zones, which operate on gazetted school days. Observe all parking signs. They are planned with children's safety in mind.

Illegal parking around schools puts lives at risk. That's why Council and the Police take a 'zero tolerance' approach. Council Rangers, Parking Officers and Police regularly patrol schools across the Penrith LGA.

Parking in a No Parking area - means you can stop to drop off or pick up passengers for a MAXIMUM of 2 MINUTES. You must stay within 3 metres of the vehicle.

Parking in a No Stopping area - means you CANNOT stop in this area for ANY reason.

Parking in a Bus Zone area - means you CANNOT stop or park unless you are driving a bus.

For more information on infringements go to:

[http://www.austlii.edu.au/au/legis/sa/consol\\_reg/arr210/](http://www.austlii.edu.au/au/legis/sa/consol_reg/arr210/)

and read PART 12--Restrictions on stopping and parking.

[http://www.austlii.edu.au/au/legis/sa/consol\\_reg/arr210/s168.html](http://www.austlii.edu.au/au/legis/sa/consol_reg/arr210/s168.html)

<http://www.rms.nsw.gov.au/documents/roads/safety-rules/demerits-school.pdf>

<http://roadsafety.transport.nsw.gov.au/downloads/safety-around-schools.pdf>



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