

ROAD SAFETY GUIDELINES

Road Safety is an aspect of the children's education which is a shared responsibility between the student's parents and school community. It is the parents' responsibility to ensure their children have the capability and knowledge to travel to and from school safely. The school aims to educate all children on aspects of road safety pertaining to their travel to and from school including safe and considerate conduct on school buses.

Cycling/Skateboards/Scooters:

All children who ride the bicycles/skateboards/scooters must wear an approved safety helmet and appropriate footwear. It is recommended that it is Year 5/6 children only who ride to school unaccompanied. All students who ride should have parental permission. Child must not ride scooters or bikes on school grounds when arriving or leaving the school.

Car Safety:

As per the schools EOTC Policy "Parents will be advised that when transporting children on school trips they must provide a seat belt for each passenger, have a current driver's licence, and a registered and warranted car".

Walking:

When crossing Bass Road children and parents must use the pedestrian crossing.

Car park / Bus Bay / Collection area:

Parents will be advised on enrolment of the following "front gate" procedures:

- Parents picking up their children are not permitted to use the school car park unless disabled or permission has been given by the Principal.
- Parents may not park and wait for their children on any yellow line, driveway or pedestrian crossing.
- When parents are picking up and dropping off children from the school they should ensure that children alight, and enter the car from the footpath side.
- There is a no right hand turn into the bus bay from 8.30am - 9.00am, and 2.30pm - 3.10pm to ensure traffic continues to flow down Bass Road.
- When the buses are parked or loading the bus bay is coned off—there is NO ENTRY to the bus bay or school carpark at this time.
- All children awaiting collection should wait for their parents in the bus shelter area where they will be supervised by staff until 3.15pm. After this time children will be escorted to the front office area and parents contacted. If parents are consistently late they will be contacted by the school Principal and the children booked into the after school care programme (at parent cost).



Buses:

When booking buses for school trips the school aims to have all children seated. Auckland Regional Authority School Bus Agreement Guidelines are adhered to on Ministry / ARTA school bus runs.

For students catching the school bus to/from school—Children and parents are issued with Behavioural Expectations and with parent checklist to ensure all parties are informed of "Safe behaviour on Buses".

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Road Patrol

The NZ Police and school work together to create the School Traffic Safety Teams which are run by students and supervised by adults. See the Police School Traffic Safety Team Manual for comprehensive information about setting up and running a school traffic safety team. The booklet includes a traffic infringement notice and sample letters and contracts about traffic safety.

Guidelines for our school:

The crossing is patrolled between 8:30—8:55 am, and 2:50—3:10 pm.

Adult supervisors must:

- stand close to the leading patrol member so that they can communicate quickly and effectively in any emergency.
- use their judgement to keep students safe as they use the crossing, and at times, must overrule patrol member's decisions.
- record the details of any traffic offence occurring on the crossing, including registration numbers, time, weather and road conditions, and names of patrol members. Complete the offence notification form and fax it to the local police station.

Students in the team must:

- complete their traffic safety training.
- wear the appropriate gear and use all equipment correctly.