



Glenore Grove State School

Bee Safe - Bee Respectful - Bee Responsible



January 2021

Dear Parents & Carers,

Welcome back to the 2021 school year. I will send home a complete newsletter in week 2 of the term, but as our enrolments keep growing, I wanted to take some time to address parking & pick up/drop off over the coming weeks. Schools are busy areas, where there are often lots of children- who do not always understand the danger of roads and vehicles. Make sure to take extra care when parking and follow parking rules at all times. The council has informed me they will be in touch regarding our parking issues over the coming weeks, but until then we will put the following arrangements in place.

Parking safety tips

The hall car park can be used by parents to both drop off & pick up. Parents are requested to reverse into parks. The teacher aide on duty will support your student to walk to the car in the afternoons. The playground is closed after school and we request that families vacate the carpark safely & quickly so other families can utilise it. The other parking space that we can legally access, is the parking at the park across the road. Please be advised that parking at the church or on the side of the road in front of the church, is currently not legal. If you are parking across the road it is important you support your children to cross the road using the island crossing point.

Our parks can fill up quickly. If you choose to park on the roads or streets around school:

- say goodbye to your children on the school side of the road—never get them to cross the road to their school's entrance alone
- walk across the road and meet your children after school (never call out to them from the other side)
- try to leave home early to avoid arriving at the busiest times
- follow the directions of all signs
- park a safe distance from all crossings
- always single park (double parking causes accidents and traffic jams)
- try parking a few streets away from the school and walking with your children
- organise a carpool with other parents—to reduce the number of cars trying to park around your children's school.

Drop off & Pick-up areas

The front of the school will be available for pick up & drop off. A bus area will be set aside by traffic cones. When using this area, you must stay in the car, go all the way to the front of the zone and the car must move forward as other vehicles move off. It would be best used for students who can 'buckle' themselves in and students must enter the car from the curb side. There is to be no parking or leaving your car for a chat. You have a maximum of 2 minutes to drop off or collect your children in this zone, if need be you may have to drive around the block a second time. The school bus will be arriving at 3pm to collect student. Cars that wish to access this pick are to not do U-turns to access this zone, rather they are to enter from *Forest Hill Fernvale Rd.* (See map below).



There can often be queues at drop-off and pick-up areas.

When using a drop-off and pick-up area you:

- must use the area like a quick moving taxi rank
- need to move forward in the queue of vehicles to the signed area
- can get out of your vehicle to quickly help your children get in and out safely (once in the signed area)—however you must not walk away from your vehicle
- are only allowed 2 minutes in the signed area—if your children are not ready to get straight into your vehicle at pick-up time, you will need to drive round the block and queue to enter the area again
- should only let your children out once you have pulled into the area (it is dangerous to let them out while waiting in a queue)
- should teach your children to look out for your vehicle and to get in quickly when you pull up
- must enter front in (never reverse).



I appreciate your patience and attention to this issue for the safety of all students. I will update you as we have further information.

Many kind regards,
Mrs Renee Heathwood-Brunskill

