

FAMILIES USING THE PARISH CARPARK

We are fortunate to be able to use the Parish carpark in the mornings and afternoons. In the morning there is a Parish Mass at 9:15am so...

school parking is available only to 9am.

When using the carpark please observe the following:

- 10kph speed limit
- Enter via Marlborough St
- Exit via Seaview Rd
- Please do not park in the reserved staff carpark (there is one for St Vinnies at the moment and more coming) – please see the photo opposite

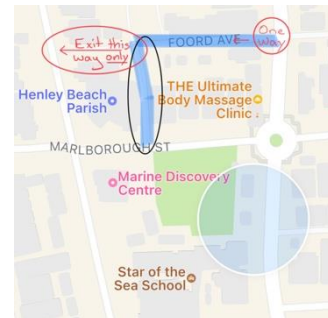


Following complaints from the Parish our School Leadership Team has been monitoring the carpark. While the morning carparking behaviour has improved, the afternoon seems to have deteriorated.

ENTERING THE CHURCH CARPARK

From Marlborough Rd and Military St enter via a public road, Foord Ave (indicated in Blue).

Exit only to Seaview Road. Do not exit via Foord Ave, especially towards the school (circled in black, as pedestrians are using this road. (In the future, I would like to discuss cars not using this part of the road at all during drop off and pick up).



PARKING IN THE CHURCH CARPARK

Please use the parking bays at the rear. Soon there will be signs indicating the parks in front of the hall (red brick) are reserved for Parish Staff.



Please do not park outside of parking bays. As Foord Ave is a public road and has a solid yellow line in many areas the Council can fine you. A driver must not stop at the side of a road marked with a continuous yellow edge line (AUSTRALIAN ROAD RULES - REG 169).



PARKING AROUND THE CHURCH

At the front of the Church there are two disability car parks, please do not park here if there are already two cars in the parks (blocking the middle car) and you can only park in these spots if you are displaying a disability sticker.

On the road there are three car parks available for anyone in the wider community to use. To the left of the red car is a solid yellow line that goes all the way around the corner.



A driver must not stop at the side of a road marked with a continuous yellow edge line (AUSTRALIAN ROAD RULES - REG 169).



I have been asking several people to move on, who try to park in the spaces marked in red, especially those people parking in front of the Church steps.



PARKING/PICKUP IN THE STREETS AROUND THE SCHOOL

Our teachers work hard, after school, to make sure that students leave in a safe manner. The focus for staff is on our students.

We would like to think that adults driving cars would also be highly concerned about the safety of all children, with so many cars around our school at drop off and pick up time. The “kiss and drop zones” have signs and road markings to assist in achieving safety for everyone.

It seems that we are having a higher number of complaints from neighbours about parents blocking driveways, even neighbours that complain to us that they have been verbally abused when they talk with the driver!

As Principal, this week I will have spent nearly three hours monitoring parking around the church. This week we have contacted the council and asked for support with the parking around our school, in the interest of keeping our students safe. They have already attended once this week and promise to continue having a presence until the end of term.

One of the issues for the “wider community” is traffic coming down Military Road and our families double parked in the left-hand lane not moving (due to cars parked legally further down the road). This creates a hazard for other road uses. At times our neighbours have reported this to the police who issue fines to those drivers.

SIGNAGE

NO STOPPING – basically means you are not allowed to pull over and stop in this area.

NO PARKING – basically means you may stop for a maximum of two minutes, the driver must be in attendance and not more than three metres from the vehicle.



In our KISS & DROP ZONES you will see our own school sign reminding drivers that they are in a NO PARKING area and the associated time limit.



KISS & DROP – GENERAL RULES

Many cars pull up in this zone, around 2:30pm and park. In the interest of saving these people a fine, we again alert you to the two minute time frame. A similar message goes for those people who double park, blocking the road. If the zone is full, you must go around.

KISS & DROP – SEAVIEW ROAD

This area is particularly problematic, due to there being a bus zone (because you must not stop or park your vehicle in the area indicated by the signs). If the zone is full, you must go around.



Please note, in the photo to the left, where the start of the zone is. If you stop in the area from Marlborough Road to the yellow line you could be fined. If you stop within 10 metres either side of the crossing the fine is at the upper limit and thus very expensive.

