



Why do we need restricted parking?

- Restricted parking in school zones is there for the safety of our children.
- It is designed to help all road users maintain safe lines of vision.
- It is designed to allow for a turnover of vehicles within a limited area.
- Illegal parking creates a dangerous environment for children as it can severely reduce their view of approaching vehicles.

SCHOOL ZONE PENALTIES

Road Rules 2008

Offence	Amount	Demerit Points
Disobey "No Stopping" sign	\$304.00	2
Disobey "No Parking" sign	\$169.00	2
Stop on/near childrens crossing	\$405.00	2
Stop on/near pedestrian crossing	\$405.00	2
Stop on/near marked foot crossing	\$405.00	2
Stop in bus zone	\$304.00	2
Double Parking	\$304.00	2
Stop on path/strip in built-up area	\$169.00	2
Stop on/across driveway/other access to/ from land	\$169.00	2

Know your Parking Signs

NO STOPPING



What does it mean?
You cannot stop in this area FOR ANY REASON.

Why is it there?
To keep sight lines clear for drivers AND children, so both have more time to avoid crashes.

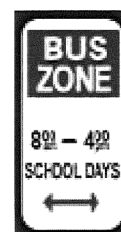
NO PARKING



What does it mean?
You can stop in a NO PARKING zone for a maximum of two minutes to drop off or pick up passengers. You must stay within three metres of you car at all times.

Why is it there?
To provide a safe place for older children to be set down and picked up without endangering other children.

BUS ZONE



What does it mean?
You must not stop or park in a bus zone unless you are driving bus.

Why is it there?
To provide safe place for large buses to set down and pick up. Cars parking in bus zones put lives at risk by forcing buses out of "their" safety zone.



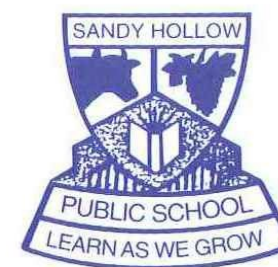
NO PARKING ON NATURE STRIPS OR FOOTPATHS.

Additions and Attachments

- Some receipts.
- Parents' Guide to NSW Primary Syllabuses.
- School Zone Patrol reminder.
- SRC Fashions on the Field flyer.



We had a very special visitor at school on Monday. Hopefully he/she has now made their way to a safer environment.



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"Creating Future Leaders"

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30th October 2013

Drumming Workshop

This week all students will participate in their second drumming workshop. I know they are looking forward to extending their skills, now that they have a few basics under their belts.

Teacher Appreciation Day

Members of the P&C have organised Teacher Appreciation Day this Friday. We will have a special assembly starting at 10.45 which will conclude with a morning tea. All families are more than welcome to join us as students talk about what makes their teacher special. All families have been asked to supply a plate for morning tea.

Premiers Spelling Bee

Abby Cooper and her family will be travelling to Sydney next week, so that she can compete in the State Spelling Bee. We wish Abby the very best of luck!

New Curriculum

As most parents are aware, a new national curriculum has been developed for English, Mathematics, History, Geography and Science. The staff have been very busy familiarising themselves with requirements of the new English and Mathematics syllabi. Even though it is only mandatory for us to implement the new English curriculum, we will also be implementing the new mathematics curriculum, as we have been teaching from the draft curriculum for the last two years. The new English curriculum places more emphasis on students being able to critically reflect. They will still have opportunities to learn about reading and writing through the study of text. More emphasis has also been placed on using more visual texts within the classroom.

The new curriculum will equip our students with the skills they need to be 21st century learners. An information pamphlet has been included with the newsletter this week. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to speak to staff.

Christina Darlington
Principal

DATES TO REMEMBER

2nd Drumming workshop Thurs 31st Oct

**Teacher Appreciation Assembly
10.45am Friday 1st November
All Welcome**

Go Go Golf Mon 4th Nov

Book Fair begins Mon 4th Nov

**Student Music Concert Tues 5th Nov
4pm in the COLA
All Welcome**

**Canteen Monday 4th November
Shannon Wallace
Monday 11th Nov - Katie McLean
Next Toybox
Monday 4th November**

**Claim the Date
* Remembrance Day Mon 11th Nov**

Reminder

Thank you to the few families who have already returned their slips to indicate that they have received and read the updated school policies on visitors to the school and conducting interviews. I would like the rest to be returned ASAP. All returned slips will go into a raffle draw with the prize being a hamper.

Safety Briefing

This pamphlet has been developed in order for the school to meet Work, Health and Safety requirements in regards to site induction. All visitors to the school will need to acknowledge that they have received and read our new safety briefing. This will happen when you sign in using the updated visitors book. A copy of the pamphlet has been included with the newsletter this week.

RE: SCHOOL ZONE PATROLS muswellbrook shire council

Enquiries
Please ask for
Trina Holmes
02 6549 3788
10 October 2013

This letter is to remind you that for the safety of children and adults alike, Council Rangers are patrolling school zones, and will continue to do so on a regular basis. Enclosed is a "Road Safety Around Schools" brochure, aimed at reminding drivers what road signs mean, and includes a summary of offences, penalty amounts and demerit points.

It would be appreciated if this brochure (or the information contained in the brochure) could be included in the school's next newsletter. Further copies can be found on the Muswellbrook Shire Council's website under Regulatory Services. Should you have any enquiries please do not hesitate to contact Trina Holmes on 02 6549 3788.

Yours faithfully
TRINA HOLMES
**ADMINISTRATION & REGULATORY SERVICES
MANAGER**

Muswellbrook Shire Council ABN 86 864180 944
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Captain Nominations

Captain nominations for 2014 are due this week. They must be handed to Mrs Darlington by Friday afternoon. Speeches will be held during whole school assembly on Friday 8th November.

Snake Deterrent Stations

This week we have installed six snake deterrent stations around the buildings. With the dry weather, the likelihood of having snakes in the playground has greatly increased. We have installed the stations around the buildings where snakes have been sighted in the past. Hopefully this preventative measure will ensure the safety of our students.

Christina Darlington - Principal

Weekly Awards

- ⇒ Olivia McLean - excellent effort in reading.
- ⇒ Katie Pike - excellent effort in mathematics.
- ⇒ Shanay Turner - working well in all areas.
- ⇒ Abby Cooper - consistent effort in all areas.
- ⇒ Darcy Wallace - using lovely manners.
- ⇒ Angel Blackhurst - fantastic listening.

Workers of the Week

K/1/2 - Cambell Hinze and Rowdy Walters.
3/4/5/6 - Sebastian Owen, Mia Gillespie, Hunter Marsh and Jackson Whalan.

Student of the Week



Rowdy Walters -
always being
thoughtful.

Kindergarten Orientation.

The year 5 students Tylana, Connor, Codi, Olivia, Hunter, Katie, Nickolas, Jackson and Shanay are the new Kindergarten children's buddies. They also take on the role of group leaders during Peer Support activities each Wednesday afternoon.

This week's Kindergarten Orientation session began focussing on what we should do if we find a task difficult. How do we ask for help? Firstly, the children learnt it is important to try on your own. Then if it is still too difficult they need to say "I need help", using a nice voice. Finally they should remember to say "thank you" to the person who helped them.

Peer Support

Following lunch the entire school enjoyed a variety of outdoor activities. We formed our groups after a discussion and role plays based on the focus of the week, "asking for help". The children are reminded to use this skill as they participate in the games. There are numerous situations at school in which we encourage the children to use this skill. Also at home, if your child says that they are unable to do something, you could respond in the same way, demonstrating that home and school are working together.

Asking for Help

Talk about the importance of trying on your own first. Sometimes people ask for help instead of trying something difficult by themselves, but doing something difficult on your own can give you a feeling of pride.

Say "I need help". Acknowledge that sometimes it is frustrating when something is difficult to do, but stress the importance of using nice talk.

Saying "thank you" - talk about nice things people do for you. Tell the children that saying thank you is a way to let someone know you are happy about what the person did for you.

Pauline Bullock

Kindergarten Teacher



Jump Rope practice in full
swing.