

Tips for making the school run safer

Most schools experience heavy traffic congestion at school drop off and pick up times.

However it is still the responsibility of all parents and carers to ensure they follow the road rules around Luddenham Public School.

Parking restrictions are in place around Luddenham Public School to assist in the management of drop off and pick up of your children, and to increase all students' safety.

Collect your child from the school gate – **never call your child across the road.**

Always ensure your child enters and exits the car using the rear passenger door on the **footpath side.**

A 40km school speed zone is in place around the school to ensure the safety of young children.

Please ensure your child is supervised while riding a bike to school and that a **helmet is fitted correctly.**

Road safety at Luddenham Public School

Luddenham Public School has a road safety education program with quality teaching and learning activities for all our students.

Parents please

- always try and meet your child on the school side of the road
- always be a role model for your children
- never call your child across the road
- never double park your car
- always obey the 40km.

Please help support us by setting good examples, obeying all road rules and practising safe road behaviours with your children.

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Road safety practices are essential around all schools. Please read the following road safety advice specific for our school.

Travelling to school

STOP! LOOK! LISTEN! THINK!

Luddenham Public School has no pedestrian crossing. Therefore it is vital you talk your child through the Stop! Look! Listen! Think! Routine every time you cross the road.

- **Stop!** One step back from the kerb.
- **Look!** For traffic to your right, left and right again.
- **Listen!** For the sounds of approaching traffic.
- **Think!** Whether it is safe to cross.

Supervision

Until children are 8 years old, they should hold hands with an adult:

- on the footpath
- in the car park and
- when crossing the road.

Until children are 10 years old, they should still be closely supervised in the traffic environment and hold an adult's hand when crossing the road.

Penalties exceed \$415 and 2 demerit points for stopping on or near a crossing.

Safe car travel

Children should enter and exit your vehicle via the rear passenger door on the footpath side, as this is the safest way. Children up to 7 years old are required to sit in an approved booster seat, with the seat belt fastened, in the back seat of the car. The NSW Roads and Traffic Authority recommend that children under 12 years do not travel in the front seat of a vehicle.



Maximum penalty of \$2400 and loss of 7 demerit points for speeding in a school zone.

Riding on wheels

Students are permitted to ride their bikes to school accompanied by an adult. Riders must always wear an Australian and New Zealand Standards Approved helmet and must have completed a bicycle rider's agreement. Bikes are to be walked through the school grounds and stored in the bicycle racks behind the administration area.



Where and how to park

Driving and parking safely

School opening and closing times are busy times for pedestrian and vehicular traffic outside the Luddenham Public School.

Always take extra care in 40km/h school zones, which operate on each gazetted school day.

No stopping and bus zones

Parking unsafely can put children's lives at risk. Increased fines and loss of demerit points apply when offences are committed in an operating school zone. There are No stopping and Bus zones located around Luddenham Public School Jamison Street. Please do not park in these areas as it is not the safest place to park your vehicle for our children.



Penalties exceed \$311 and the loss of 2 demerit points.