

The Hahndorf Primary School & Preschool Governing Council wishes to improve the road safety situation around the school.

Drop off and pick up times (8:30 - 9:00am and 3:00 - 3:30pm) are peak hours, during which the following dangerous behaviours can too often be observed :

- cars moving against the flow of traffic or performing u-turns after dropping off their child(ren)
- double parking
- queue jumping
- vehicles moving out of the queue without checking their blind spot for students or other traffic
- speeds exceeding 25km/h in Church Street

With the limited parking spaces available, narrow streets dating back to a time when children walked or rode a pony to school, and the added traffic pressure as a consequence of the St. Michael's School located nearby, the current situation poses obvious risks to the safety of both our children and parents.

The limited number of parking spaces available is unlikely to change:

- The Government accepts an obligation to provide car parking within the boundaries of its school sites for its employees and official visitors.
DECD policy provides one parking space for each full time employee, one additional space as the provision for wheelchair users and an additional 10% of the total for visitor parking.
- Conversations with Council staff have indicated it is unlikely to provide extra parking spaces around schools.

The situation can be improved by the whole of the school adopting a community approach and a clear Code of Conduct to improve orderly traffic flows.

Walking in to drop off and pick up children is also a great thing to do. We recommend accessing the longer term parking options for this.

The Governing Council endorses the following Principles and Code of Conduct for school traffic during drop off and pick up times:

Principles

1. **Safety of children and parents is paramount**
2. **Maintaining a traffic flow on Church Street in one direction, towards Victoria Street increases orderly traffic flows**
3. **Abiding by Council parking zones and time limits as indicated by the signage increases safety and prevents frustration**
4. **Respecting our neighbouring businesses / community groups by not parking in private parking spaces adds to the School's relationship with its direct environment**

Code of Conduct

During pick up (3:00 - 3:30pm)

1. **When entering Church St move into the queue for the pick up/drop off zone and stay in the car.**
2. **If the queue is up to the No Standing Zone (see map over) :**
 - continue down Church St and park or
 - turn right at Victoria St and park or
 - turn right at Kaesler St to come around again to join the queue.
3. **Once in the queue, move forward as the car in front moves forward or departs.**
- 4 **Keep an eye out for students and vehicles in your blind spot**
- 5 **Remain in your vehicle**
- 6 **Please....No double parking!**

During drop off (8:30 - 9:00am)

We do not experience the same traffic congestion in the mornings as the afternoon but it is important to remember the following:

1. **Maintain the traffic flow in the one direction.**
2. **The 15 min parking zone on Church St has been provided for Preschool parents who must sign their children into Preschool.**

School parking

15 min parking zones for preschool parents

- Two 15 min parking zones have been created during drop off/pick up times to allow preschool parents to get out of the car and sign their children into preschool:
 - directly out the front of the school on Church St, and
 - along the school frontage on Balhannah Rd (opposite the Zebra carpark entry)

Longer term parking

- During school hours, parking is available along Church St and Balhannah Rd
- Longer term parking is also available behind the Hahndorf Institute on Auricht Rd, the Western end of Church Street, Victoria St, and Balhannah Rd.

We urge parents not to use the staff car park. With OSHC staff starting in the afternoon all available spaces will generally be taken.

The Governing Council asks all parents and guardians to follow these principles and codes of conduct at all times, in the interest of the safety of our children.

Conscious of the School's position in the community, we strongly believe in leading by example. HPS parents showing to adhere to these rules will allow us to approach residents in the direct vicinity of the school to request them to kindly observe these principles and codes of conduct as well.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

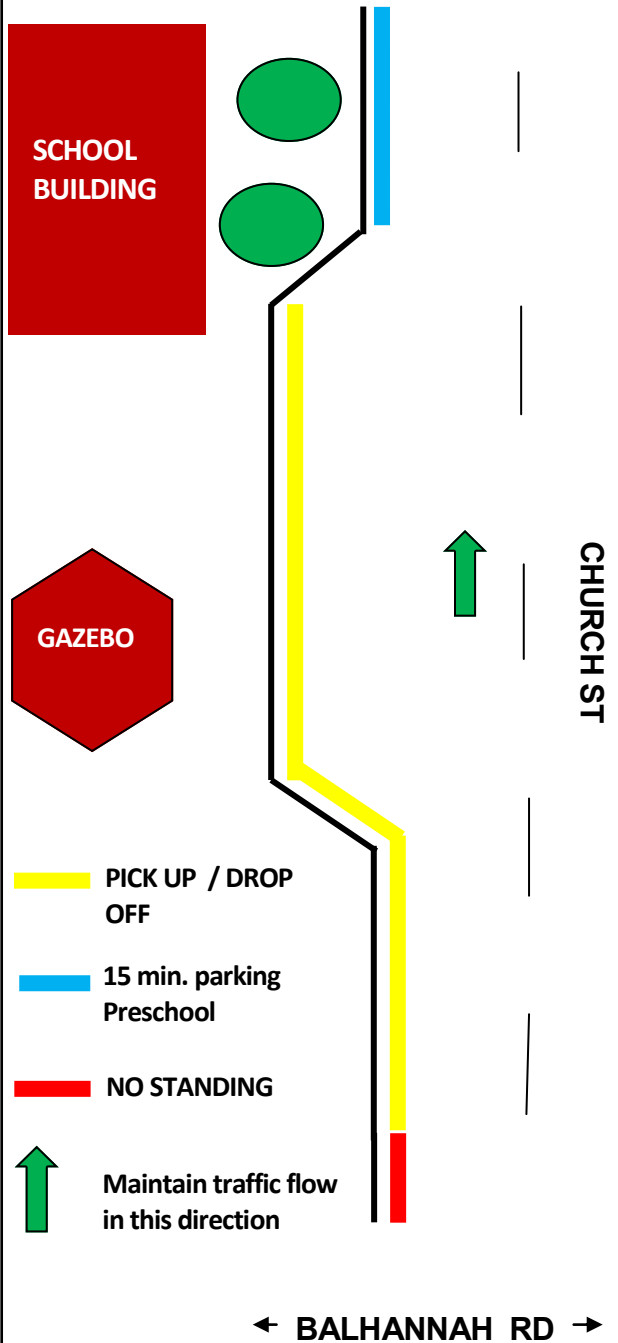
Any comments, suggestions or questions are always welcome via dl.0163_info@schools.sa.edu.au or by attending any Governing Council meeting (meetings are open to any members of the school community).

A community approach and adhering to our Code of Conduct will reflect the following school virtues:

- Respect**
- Cooperation**
- Tolerance**
- Tact**
- Helpfulness**
- Courtesy**
- Patience**
- Understanding**
- Integrity**
- Responsibility**
- Flexibility**
- Self-discipline**
- Reliability**



SCHOOL FRONT 8.30 - 9.00am & 3.00pm - 3.30pm



School Users - Traffic Code of Conduct