THE CITY OF CANTERBURY
SCHOOL SAFETY

You need to take extra care and time when driving and parking in school zones. Please ensure that you understand the road rules and that your child understands how to behave safely around school zones.

Children are especially vulnerable around vehicles and roads due to their size and capabilities.

If you break the traffic rules in a school zone you are putting children at risk.

Safety tips for drivers around school zones.

* Always drop-off or pick-up your child from suitable and legal parking spots, even if this means walking further away from the school.
* Never double park.
* Never park across a pedestrian crossing.
* Never perform a U-turn in close proximity to the school, or over double lines, or on the pedestrian crossing
* Make sure all children in the car use the footpath-side door (safety door) when getting in and out of a car.
* Make sure the hand brake is applied when the vehicle is stationary.
* Make sure everything is organised before coming to school so that the drop off is as fast as safely possible.
Parking and Traffic Rules - Choosing Safety over Convenience

**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

**Penalty** - $265.00 + 2 Demerit Points (School Zone)

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**No Parking**

**What does it mean?**
You can stop in a NO PARKING zone for a maximum of two minutes to drop off and pick up passengers. You must stay within three metres of your vehicle 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

**Penalty** - $147.00 + 2 Demerit points (School Zone)

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**Bus Zone**

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

**Why is it there?**
To provide a safe place for large buses to set down and pick up school children.

**Penalty** - $265.00 + 2 Demerit Points (School Zone)

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**Other Traffic Rules**

**Pedestrian Crossings including Children's Crossings**

You must not stop within 20 metres before a pedestrian crossing or 10 after a crossing unless there is a control sign permitting parking.

**Why is it there?**
To ensure that children can be clearly seen by vehicles approaching the crossing.

**Penalty** - $353.00 + 2 Demerit Points (School Zone)

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**Footpaths & Nature Strips**

You may not stop on any footpath or nature strip, or even a driveway crossing a footpath or nature strip FOR ANY REASON.

**Why is it there?**
You could easily run over a child or force pedestrians onto the road to get around you.

**Penalty** - $147.00 + 2 Demerit points (School Zone)

Penalties as at July 2011.

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**Intersections**

**You must not stop within 10 Metres of an (unsignalised) intersection**

**Why is it there?**
To ensure that there is a clear view of vehicles and children crossing the road at the intersection.

**Penalty** - $206.00

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**Double Parking**

You may not stop on the road adjacent to another vehicle at any time even to drop off or pick up passengers.

**Why is it there?**
Double parking forces other cars to go around you causing traffic congestion and reduces the view of drivers and children crossing the road.

**Penalty** - $265.00 + 2 Demerit points (School Zone)

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**Driveways**

You may stop over the entrance of a driveway to pick up or set down passengers, but you may not wait there or leave your vehicle unattended

**Penalty** - $147.00 + 2 Demerit points (School Zone)