




	<h2 style="text-align: center;">A Parking Reference Guide intended for parents and carers when driving near our school.</h2>
	<p>You must not stop or wait at the kerb in a “No Stopping” zone for any reason. The offence is committed when:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A driver is waiting (for no obvious reason) or ➤ When a passenger (or driver) exits or enters the vehicle. <p>You cannot pick up or drop off a passenger (even if you are otherwise waiting in traffic for example at a crossing or traffic lights).</p> <p>Penalty generally exceeds \$253 plus 2 demerit points; however, if this offence is committed close to a crossing the penalty exceeds \$338 plus 2 demerit points.</p>	
	<p>You must not stop or wait at the kerb in a “Bus Zone” for any reason. Common excuses that have recently been given in our school zone:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • But I have a people mover and that is like a bus. • It’s a mini-bus and I am picking up the kids for tennis. <p>The facts are this is effectively a “No Stopping” zone unless your vehicle carries number plates prefixed M/O (motor omnibus). These excuses are no defence at all!</p> <p>Penalty Exceeds \$253 plus 2 demerit points.</p>	
	<p>There is often some confusion in relation to this sign but the legislation is very clear. A driver <u>cannot stop</u> in a “No Parking” zone <u>unless they have stopped and are setting down a passenger(s) and / or their goods, or are picking up a (waiting) passenger(s) and / or their goods.</u> Because you actually need to be doing this you <u>cannot be waiting for a passenger to come.</u> The driver must stay within 3 metres of the vehicle and very importantly they <u>must move on as soon as possible</u> after they set down or have picked up. The total stop must never exceed two minutes.</p> <p>Common excuses that have recently been given in our school zone:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I just stopped to take a break for a couple of minutes. • I just stopped to look in the street directory. • I just stopped to answer the phone. • I just stopped briefly to chat to my friend after I put my child in the car. • I just put one child in the car and am waiting for the second one. • But I put my hazard lights on. • It’s raining and I don’t want my child to have to wait in the rain. <p>While these drivers may have convinced themselves that these actions make it OK these excuses are no defence either!</p> <p>If you have to pick up multiple children or younger children a parking strategy mentioned in the “Hassel Free Parking Guide” should be considered. This guide is available via email request from safety@lpspandc.org.au .Remember we have only 5 spaces for afternoon use by potentially over 700 children. Please respect the fact (especially in wet weather) that other children will be waiting.</p> <p>The penalty exceeds \$141 plus 2 demerit points.</p>	
	<p>Double Parking – You must not stop beside any other parked vehicle unless you are immediately parking in a vacant space.</p> <p>Penalty exceeds \$253 plus 2 demerit points.</p>	
	<p>Stopping in or across driveways is illegal and is a major concern for the school in working with our neighbours.</p> <p>The penalty exceeds \$141 plus 2 demerit points.</p>	