



Our Vision: A community of diverse lifestyle experiences accommodating progressive growth, sharing prosperity and valuing the unique environment.

Dear Parents

### **PARKING AT AND AROUND THE DALYELLUP PRIMARY SCHOOL**

As you are no doubt aware, finding a parking space at or around the Dalyellup Primary School to drop off or collect your child/children is chaotic and leading to a lot of frustration and anger by parents.

Recent patrols by Council's Community Rangers has seen this frustration and anger directed at them with verbal abuse from parents, and in one incident, on 25 June 2015, a glass stubby was thrown, luckily just missing the Community Ranger.

This type of behaviour is totally unacceptable and will not be tolerated by the Shire of Capel. Community Rangers are only carrying out their duties with the primary purpose of ensuring the safety of your children. Where appropriate, the Community Rangers have been directed to report serious incidents to the Police to be dealt with.

"But there is not enough parking" I hear you saying. In addition to the parking spaces on school land, the Shire and Developers have provided approximately 61 parking bays outside of the school grounds, with additional informal parking on the grass verge on Dampier Street.

**The reality is that there are not any other opportunities to increase the amount of parking in close proximity to the school.** So other solutions have to be found.

As parents you can make a positive contribution to reducing this problem by:

1. If you live within close proximity (up to 1 kilometre), encourage your children to ride or walk to school. Even better, why not accompany them each morning and afternoon and enjoy the outdoors?
2. If you have to drive your children to school, consider parking away from the school and surrounds, yes it means walking a bit further, but just think no more frustration at not finding a parking bay and enjoy the walk. Two areas rarely used are:
  - The road verge on Dalyellup Boulevard near the Lutheran College oval at the end of Oxley Pass; and
  - The grass verge on Moondar Parade (runs parallel with Norton Promenade to the north off Hornibrook Road and has easy access through the park to the school).
3. If you are using the 'Kiss & Drive' parking on Oxley Pass remember it is only pickup and drop off for a maximum of 5 minutes and you must remain in your vehicle. If you have to walk your children to their classroom, use the normal parking bays.

The Community Rangers have been directed to undertake regular weekly patrols of all school areas and no further warnings will be issued. Details of vehicles being parked illegally will be noted and \$50-\$120 infringement notices will be posted to the owners of the vehicles.

Finally, the safety of children attending school should be paramount to us all, so I urge you as parents to consider your options and take whatever action you can to ensure that the lives of the children are not put at risk.

**PAUL SHEEDY**  
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