College Principal’s Report

2017 – A very positive start

2017 has started with an air of excitement, energy and commitment to improvement. Staff and students are refreshed and the atmosphere is positive. Our focus this year is to continue to improve our engagement with students and their families. We started this work last year with many student forums and the student leaders will continue to work with us to make improvements. We have an amazing team of staff who are looking forward to working more closely in partnership with students and their families to achieve our dreams.

INTRODUCING THE PRINCIPAL TEAM

1. Trish Horner, College Principal
2. Colin Burke, Senior Campus Principal
3. Peter Tonis, Senior Campus Assistant Principal
4. Kelli MacDonald, Senior Campus Assistant Principal
5. Karen Eastlake, Middle Years Campus Principal
6. Simon McRae, Middle Years Assistant Principal

INTRODUCING THE LEADING TEACHERS

1. Andrew Keating College Curriculum
2. Maria Hristova College Languages (English / LOTE)
3. Liam McNaughton College Humanities
4. Gina Palamara College Arts
5. Melissa Stephens College Maths
6. Sonia Loudon College Science
7. David Maltby College PE
8. Andrew Nicholls College Technology
9. Jarrad Heal Middle Years Student Engagement Leader
10. Bill van Driel Senior Student Engagement Leader
11. Jennifer Ames Teaching and Learning Coach – Literacy
12. Peta Johnstone Teaching and Learning Coach – Numeracy
13. Sam Milbourn Teaching and Learning Coach – Induction
15. Renee Colby Community Liaison
16. Kate Clinton College Pathways & Transition Leader

Congratulations to the new Leading Teachers, Jarrad Heal and Jennifer Ames, and acting Leading Teachers Maria Hristova, Melissa Stephens and Kate Clinton.

WHO’s NEW?
A warm welcome is extended to our new staff:- JenniferAMES, JarradHEAL, JohnTIKULIN, LonniALLAN, ShayleeASHBY, HansBHURRUTH, StaceyCAMILLERI, DamienEELES, DrewELMOUSSALLI, MichaelHAM, RoryHENDERSON, AnnamariaIACOVACCI, AidanJAGO, AndrewLETTS, ErinMURPHY, EmilyPAGE, Hai YingPAN, AlexanderPASCOE, TessieREINSCH, SarahSCOTT, AndrewSELF, JeevaSUTHANANTHAN, DanielTOMMASINI, and NathanWATSON.

We also welcome back MelissaSTEPHENS from long term leave.
CONGRATULATIONS TO WHERNSIDE SWIMMING SPORTS WINNERS 2017

Being blessed with perfect weather, the Swimming Sports were an outstanding success. The team spirit was electric and it was wonderful to see the VET Sport and Recreation students working side by side with staff as convenors and officials at all the various events. I congratulate Robyn Boyle, Liam Oliver and David Maltby and their teams for their excellent organisation of this special event. I can confirm that the points were rechecked and verified so Robyn is justified in being proud of her house winning two years in a row!

SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS 2017

The School Council elections are open for nominations as of Monday 13 February 2017. There are 5 Parent and 3 DET vacancies to be filled. Information about the election process, a Notice of Election and Call for Nominations schedule is included in this newsletter. Nomination forms are available from both General Offices and close at 4:00pm on Monday 20 February 2017.

STANDING COMMITTEES

If you are unable to commit to School Council, but would still like to contribute to the College’s future direction, please consider joining one of the School Council’s sub committees. Members meet twice a term on a Tuesday night and all recommendations made by the committees are taken to School Council. Being a member of a committee also enables greater understanding of how the school operates and how decisions are made.

The sub committees are: Education  
Student Engagement & Well Being  
Resources  
Community  
Finance

It is vitally important that we have parent input. If you are interested in joining one of the committees or have any questions, please contact Joanne Armarego on 9407 9700 or armarego.joanne.r@edumail.vic.gov.au.

LOCKER REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

Over the summer break we replaced many lockers as part of the locker replacement program. The new lockers on the Middle Years Campus are the same size as the Senior Campus lockers and the long term plan is to replace all of the smaller lockers on the Middle Years Campus as well as continue to replace the older lockers. We also engaged a cleaning contractor to clean all the lockers that were not replaced. We have bought forward the replacement lockers process and engaged the cleaners in response to the feedback we received from parents and students in the “Hopes, Dreams and Fears” exercise we did last year. Please encourage your children to keep their lockers tidy and report any issues to Simon McRae (MYC) or Perter Tonis (SC).

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Parent Teacher Interviews will be held at the Senior Campus on Wednesday 22 February. Online bookings will open on Monday 13 February. Parents who need assistance with bookings can ring either General Office.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Middle Years & Senior Campus school photos were held on Thursday and Friday. There is a follow up photo day for any students who missed out; this will be held on Friday 17 February at both Campuses. It is important that students wear their white shirt for the photo.

PARENT PLANNER

At the back of this newsletter there is a Parent Planner for Term 1, to keep you up to date with what is happening this term.
EVERY DAY COUNTS!

It is important that parents advise the school for any absence. It is also important that parents contact the school if their child will be absent from school for 5 or more days, so catch up work can be arranged. Refer to the table below for Approved and Unapproved reasons for absence.

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IMPORTANT REMINDERS

At this time of year it is important to remind you of the following information:

 VISITORS TO THE SCHOOL

All visitors, including Parents / Carers, must report to the General Office upon arrival. All official visitors must be signed in and carry a Visitors Pass. Parents / Carers are not permitted to walk around the school unaccompanied.

 SCHOOL ZONES

Parents, carers and visitors are reminded of the importance of road safety around schools. School Speed Zones will be enforced from the commencement of the school year and parents / carers / visitors are requested to abide the speed limited in the designated school speed zones during the specified times (8.00am - 9.30am and 2.30pm - 4.00pm).

 SAFETY FIRST

In the interest of students’ safety, the staff car parks at each Campus are FOR STAFF ONLY. Parents / guardians / friends dropping off or picking up students are asked to park their car in nearby streets and not in the Staff Car Park.

 ACCIDENT INSURANCE

The Department does not provide personal accident insurance for students. Parents and carers are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including any transport costs. Student accident insurance policies are available from some commercial insurers. These cover a range of medical expenses not covered by Medicare or private health insurance.

 LEAVE VALUABLES AT HOME

The Department does not hold insurance nor does it accept responsibility for private property brought to school by students, staff and visitors. Personal property is often brought to school by students. This can include mobile phones, calculators, toys, sporting equipment and cars parked on school premises. Students are discouraged from bringing any unnecessary or particularly valuable items to school.

 STUDENT TRAVEL CONCESSIONS

All students requiring a Student Pass are required to obtain a 2017 Victorian Public Transport (VPT) Student Concession Card as proof of their concession entitlement. Further information and the Application Form can be obtained from: train stations, Public Transport Victoria (PTV) hubs, PTV Call Centre (Ph: 1800 800 007) or online at ptv.vic.gov.au.

 MYKI CARDS—REGISTRATION

Registration of myki cards is optional; however, it is strongly recommended that students register their myki cards online at http://ptv.vic.gov.au/tickets/myki/registering-your-myki/. The main benefit of registering a myki is the balance on the myki is protected if it is reported lost or stolen.

Trish Horner
Important Information Regarding Student Health

If a student is unwell every attempt will be made to contact parents, guardians or emergency contacts. In the event of serious injury or illness where a nominated person cannot be contacted, a decision will be made in the best interest of the student.

This is why it is vitally important that student records are maintained with medical conditions, allergies and special requests. If your child requires medication at school this should be monitored through sickbay.

IMMUNISATION DATES - MIDDLE YEARS C’AMPUS:
- Thursday 30 March Yr 7 Girls & Boys (HPV1) and Boostrix
- Thursday 25 May Yr 7 Girls & Boys (HPV2) and Chicken pox
- Thursday 21 September Yr 7 Girls & Boys (HPV3)

By now all year 7 students will have received their immunisation cards.

All cards must be returned signed even if the student isn’t being vaccinated.

In 2015 the Public Health and Wellbeing Regulations 2009 were amended to authorise schools to release parent and student information to local councils so that councils can follow up with parents after the consent forms have been distributed. This means that we will provide the local council with your contact details and a local council representative may contact you with vaccine program information. If you do not wish for your details to be provided to your local council, please advise the school in writing as soon as possible. Alternatively you can contact the officer responsible for the vaccine program at Whittlesea Council in the event that you have queries about your contact details.

ANAPHYLAXIS

Anaphylaxis (a severe, rapidly progressive allergic reaction that is potentially life threatening) affects a number of students at the College.

If you have a child with this condition and have not alerted the College it is imperative you do so immediately.

Parents who have received forms to be filled out can you please return them so we can update our records.

One of the most common allergens are nuts and eggs and we ask that parents make their children aware of this condition, and to be careful when sharing food with other students.

If you have any concerns or queries regarding this condition please don’t hesitate to contact the College.

Asthma affects approximately one-fifth of our student population. These students are encouraged to use their medication accordingly under the family doctor’s instruction, i.e. before sport if needed and students should have access to this medication at all times. Ventolin inhalers and spacers can be obtained at various locations around the school.

On Thursday 23 March the Athletics Carnival will be taking place. Students should wear appropriate clothing, a hat and apply sunscreen regularly to avoid the pain and danger of sunburn.

The PE curriculum offers a wide variety of sports and students are expected to participate. In the interest of dental safety a mouthguard should be worn when involved in sporting activities.

HEAD LICE

While children are at school many families will have contact with head lice. Head lice are small wingless, blood-sucking insects. Their colour varies from whitish-brown to reddish-brown. Head lice only survive on humans. If isolated from the head, they will die very quickly usually within 24 hours.

People get head lice from direct hair to hair contact with another person who had head lice. This can happen when people play, cuddle or work closely together. Head lice do not have wings or jumping legs so they cannot fly or jump from head to head. They can only crawl. Many lice do not cause an itch so you have to look carefully to find them; it is a good idea to check your child’s hair periodically.

Treatment

A lotion can be used to treat head lice. This can be purchased from a chemist. Another method is by using conditioner. According to the Health (Infectious Diseases) Regulations 2001, children with head lice can be readmitted to school after treatment has commenced.

The following website offers resources and further information: http://www.health.vic.gov.au/headlice.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES

If your child has been diagnosed with an Infectious Disease (e.g. measles, chicken pox, etc) please ensure they have a clearance from the doctor before returning to school.

If you have any concerns regarding your child’s health or safety don’t hesitate to call the School Nurse, Cathy Cranfield, between 8:30am and 3:00pm.

Cathy Cranfield, School Nurse
WELCOME

Welcome back to our returning Middle Years Campus students and their families and a very special welcome to all of our new year 7 students and multiple new year 8 & 9 students and all of their families. We are thrilled you are joining us here at Mill Park Secondary College.

All Homegroup teachers will be making contact with families over the next few weeks via phone calls and we look forward to meeting all families at Parent / Teacher Interviews which will take place on Wednesday 22 February at the Senior Campus site.

Bookings of appointments with teachers can be done via the Parent Portal (Sentral) and all new families to the school have been mailed their Sentral access code with instructions on setting up your account.

YEAR 7 FAMILY BBQ

All year 7 students and their families are invited to the year 7 BBQ night commencing at 6:00pm on Monday 13 February at the Middle Years Campus. This is a wonderful opportunity for families to commence relationship building with the school and their child’s teachers. The evening is a relaxed affair we can all share a meal together and students are encouraged to take their parents to meet each of their classroom teachers.

At 7:00pm, any family who would like assistance with setting up their Parent Portal will be invited to attend a short session in the library where personalised instruction will be provided with setting up the Sentral account and advice on how to add the website to devices such as smart phones for your convenience.

SWIMMING SPORTS

Congratulations to Whernside house on their spectacular win of the annual College Swimming Carnival last week. The weather was superb and all students had a great time. Thank you to Ms Robyn Boyle for her coordination of the event, supported by a wonderful team of staff and Senior Campus VET Sport & Recreation students.
Eight of our most committed students from the current year 9 and 10 SEAL classes of 2017 attended a special summer program over the break from Monday 16 to Thursday 19 January 2017. While many of us were still enjoying holidays, these Mill Park students wanted to get stuck into their academic pursuits early.

Areas of interest included: Astrophysics, Art, Science, Sustainability and Career Pathways, a highly beneficial program offered to a limited number of students. This program is designed to broaden student interests, enable them to experience a taste of university life and generally get a head start in 2017 with their education.

The feedback data sent from Melbourne University was overwhelmingly positive and we look forward to future involvement with this initiative. Thanks to Gemma Barry from Melbourne University for offering and organizing this opportunity to our students.

Congratulations to the following students who participated in the program:

**Year 9 students:**
- Isabelle Stambanis
- Alisha Sazdova
- Tharshika Srikamalanathan
- Felix Werner

**Year 10 students:**
- Yasmin Chebbou
- Nethali Dissanayake
- Belle (Xena) Kong
- Jenna Hwang

Mrs Leesa Mereos
SEAL, Extension and Acceleration Programs

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**IMPORTANT DATES:**
- Monday 13 February - Year 7 BBQ
- Friday 17 February - Photo follow up day - at both campuses
- Wednesday 22 February - Parent Teacher Interviews (No classes for students)
- Wednesday 8 - Friday 10 March - Year 7 Camp
- Monday 13 March - Labour Day Public Holiday
- Thursday 23 March - Athletics Carnival
- Thursday 30 March - Year 7 Immunisation (HPV1 & Boostrix)
NEWS FROM THE MYC LIBRARY

I would like to welcome our students to a new and exciting school year. The MYC library fosters a friendly and welcoming atmosphere for all our students and staff.

The library plays an important role in helping the school to achieve its academic and educational objectives. This is the hub of the school where students and teachers can benefit from using the resources for work or recreation.

Our library is a learner oriented space that supports the new Victorian Curriculum. We assist students in researching various topics and provide learning opportunities for individuals and classes. We know that school libraries have a positive impact on student achievement. The MYC library is a place for students to work independently and study, use computers, audiovisual equipment and complete research assignments.

The library initiates several programs throughout the year, like the orientation week for year 7 students, Library Monitors training program, Book Week activities, Premier’s Reading Challenge and renowned author visits.

To support the school curriculum, we provide a variety of resources, including fiction, non-fiction, picture and reference books, teacher references, magazines, computers & electronic resources, printers, photocopiers, DVDs, projectors, video recorders and digital & still cameras. There are board games available for students to use at lunchtime.

Homework Club operates on a Wednesday where teachers are available to assist students with their homework.

The Library is open before school, recess, lunchtime and after school.

To welcome and introduce year 7 students to the Library, a special Library Orientation Program will take place from Monday 13 to Friday 17 February.

We are committed to maintain and deliver the best Library service and share information with professionalism and enthusiasm.

In today’s information and knowledge based society, our school Library provides quality information and develops essential and fundamental skills to our students; skills that will help them to develop lifelong learning habits and make them responsible citizens.

Kind regards

Stella Lambrou, MYC Librarian
GREAT START TO THE YEAR

It has been a great start to the year at the Senior Campus. Our year 10 students have settled into the campus remarkably well, as our year 11 and 12 students begin their VCE and VCAL studies. I had the privilege of talking to our year 10 students at their first assembly last Friday. I was able to compliment them on their excellent start, behaviour, learning habits, manners and uniform. I’ve also had occasion to visit our year 12 study centre a number of times already and have been impressed by the study our year 12 students have been tackling.

GROUNDS

I am pleased to say that the vast majority of building works at our Senior Campus, which took place in 2016 have been completed. The works contained significant external repairs to roofs, as well as repairs, paint to every single classroom, carpets to all classrooms with only minor finishing touches now required. On top of this, the Campus installed over 400 brand new lockers, to add to the 100 new lockers installed earlier in 2016. More lockers will be replaced during the year. It’s fair to say that the classroom facilities were in top notch at the beginning of the year. I would encourage students to treat the facilities well. Thanks very much to Wayne Baker, our Facilities Manager who has overseen all of these projects in the past 18 months.

Over the next 12 or so months, we will undertake works to repair damaged walkways and footpaths on the Campus.

TOP 10 ACADEMIC PERFORMERS

2016 was another year with some absolutely amazing achievements by our students.

I would particularly like to point out our top 10 Academic Performers from year 12: Jasmine Ravi-Pinto, Dylan Jeyendra, Alex Horman, Jack Saadi, Batoul Dirani, Natasha Bay, Melissa Romeo, Sashini De Silva, Hristijan Popovski and Eddy Jeline De Leon, who all scored ATARs of over 90.

Congratulations to our top 10, and the achievements of all of our graduating class.

THE LAKES P – 9 CELEBRATES ITS 10TH BIRTHDAY

Last Friday evening myself and Trish Horner were honoured to attend the celebration of the Lakes P – 9 South Morang 10th Birthday celebrations. This was a fantastic event attended by a huge number of the community. It was fantastic to see so many current and former Mill Park Secondary College and Lakes students at the event.

Since its inception, hundreds of Lakes students have completed their secondary schooling at Mill Park Secondary College, with many becoming student leaders, school captains and great academic and extracurricular contributors to the College. We are very proud to work together with the Lakes to educate the students of South Morang and Mill Park.

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS – WEDNESDAY 22 FEBRUARY

A reminder that the first Parent Teacher Interviews for the year will be held on Wednesday 22 February at the Senior Campus between 11:30am and 7:30pm. Bookings can be made via Sentral from next week up until the morning of the 22nd.

Having the Parent Teacher Interviews at this early time is a change in the usual timing for our College, but it has been very deliberate. The focus is for parents, students and teachers to spend some time early in the year, discussing everything from learning needs, to classroom expectations, building relationships and communication norms. While the focus is on building relationships, it also allows early interventions for students at risk with learning and behaviour.

We believe that this change is very important, and underlines our commitment to improving relationships and connectedness between home and school.
Teresa Giansiracusa of year 12 will perform in this year’s Top Class Drama and Theatre Studies program as part of the VCE Season of Excellence 2017.

**TOP CLASS THEATRE STUDIES at the Melbourne Recital Centre, Southbank**

**Thursday 2 March 2017 (2.00pm) and Friday 3 March 2017 (10.30am)**

Following the auditions held in late January of the highest scoring VCE Theatre Studies students from 2016, 20 were selected to perform their solos as presented in their October Performance exam. This year, 8 of the 13 Monologues from 2016 are represented across a wide range of interpretations, in both the Acting/Directing and Design study areas.

Top Class is a concert series that presents the works of outstanding VCE students from 2016 in Dance, VET Dance, Drama, Theatre Studies, Music Performance, Music Investigation, Music Style and Composition and VET Music. It is part of the VCE Season of Excellence managed by the Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority.

For the list of performers for each of the concerts, please refer to the Top Class Drama and Theatre Studies Performer List on the VCAA Top Class webpage.

I encourage you to inform your school community of this momentous achievement.

Tickets for the Top Class Theatre Studies concerts are on sale via the Melbourne Recital Centre website or call the box office on 1300 182 183. Teachers accompanying pre-booked groups of 10 or more are free (max. 2), pre-booking is recommended.

I would also like to bring to your attention to two Theatre Studies forums taking place at the Melbourne Museum. The forums will consist of a 20 minute presentation by the VCAA Curriculum Manager of Theatre Studies, a 20 minute presentation from an Industry Speaker (costume designer Chloe Greaves) and a 10 minute presentation from an A+ Theatre Studies Design student from 2016. The forums will take place on Friday 3 March at 1:30pm and Friday 24 March at 1:45pm.

For further information and bookings, please visit Melbourne Museum’s website, or call 8341 7767.

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**M.P.S.C.**

**INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAM**

**LOCAL HOMESTAY FAMILIES WANTED**

Host families are a very important factor in the success of our International Student Program and are greatly valued by the College.

Our program is growing, so we are looking for more families interested in providing a warm and supportive environment for an international student who has chosen to study at Mill Park Secondary College. Families receive payment to cover expenses for full board and our International Student Coordinator is available at all times, to provide ongoing support to host families.

For more information, please contact Marilyn Pridmore

Phone: 9409 8222 or 0438 681 125

Email: pridmore.marilyn.l@edumail.vic.gov.au
Mill Park Secondary College
School Council Elections 2017

What is a school council and what does it do?
All government schools in Victoria have a school council. They are legally formed bodies that are given powers to set the key directions of a school within centrally provided guidelines. In doing this, a school council is able to directly influence the quality of education that the school provides for its students.

Who is on the school council?
There are three possible categories of membership:

- **A mandated elected Parent category.** More than one third of the total members must be from this category. Department of Education and Training (DET) employees can be Parent members at their child’s school as long as they are not employed at the school.

- **A mandated elected DET employee category.** Members of this category may make up no more than one third of the total membership of school council. The principal of the school is automatically one of these members.

- **An optional Community member category.** Its members are appointed by a decision of the council because of their special skills, interests or experiences. DET employees are not eligible to be Community members.

The term of office for all members is two years. Half the members must retire each year, creating vacancies for the annual school council elections.

Why is Parent membership so important?
Parents on school councils provide important viewpoints and have valuable skills that can help shape the direction of the school. Those parents who become active on a school council find their involvement satisfying in itself and may also find that their children feel a greater sense of belonging.

How can you become involved?
The most obvious way is to vote in the elections, which are held in Term 1 each year. However, ballots are only held if more people nominate as candidates than there are positions vacant. In view of this, you might seriously consider

- standing for election as a member of the school council
- encouraging another person to stand for election.

Do I need special experience to be on school council?
No. What you do need is an interest in your child’s school and the desire to work in partnership with others to help shape the school’s future.

What do you need to do to stand for election?
The principal will issue a notice and call for nominations following the commencement of Term 1 each year. All school council elections must be completed by the end of March.
If you decide to stand for election, you can arrange for someone to nominate you as a candidate or you can nominate yourself in the Parent category. DET employees whose child is enrolled in a school in which they are not employed are eligible to nominate as parents for the school council where their child is enrolled. Once the nomination form is completed, return it to the principal within the time stated on the notice of election. You will receive a Nomination Form Receipt in the mail following the receipt of your completed nomination.

If there are more nominations received than there are vacancies on council, a ballot will be conducted during the two weeks after the call for nominations has closed.

REMEMBER
- Ask at the school for help if you would like to stand for election and are not sure what to do
- Consider standing for election to council this year
- Be sure to vote in the elections.

Contact Joanne Armarego for further information on 9407 9700 or armarego.joanne.r@edumail.vic.gov.au.
Mill Park Secondary College
School Council Elections
Schedule 4: Notice of Election and Call for Nominations

An election is to be conducted for members of the School Council of Mill Park Secondary College.
Nomination forms may be obtained from the school and must be lodged by 4:00pm on Monday 20 February 2017
Following the closing of nominations a list of the nominations received will be posted at the school.
The terms of office, membership categories and number of positions in each membership category open for election
are as follows:

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If the number of nominations is less than the number of vacancies, a notice to that effect and calling for further nominations will be posted in a prominent position at the school.

Trish Horner
College Principal
Youth Employment Opportunities Fair and Careers Expo

Thursday 16 March 2017; 9.30am - 3pm
Plenty Ranges Arts & Convention Centre Ferres Boulevard, South Morang

The Youth Employment Opportunities Fair will give you access to jobs, apprenticeships, traineeships or further study placements.

This is a free event offering you the opportunity to consult with:
- Local employers
- Centrelink representatives
- Job Service Australia providers
- Apprenticeship & Traineeship groups
- University & TAFE advisers

Job preparation workshops are also available.

For further information please contact:
Whittlesea Youth Commitment / HWLLEN
Helen Mecozzi: helen.m@hwllen.com.au or 9408 5499
RSVP 27 February 2017
Understanding the signs around school zones

40km/h sign
All school speed limits across the State are clearly signposted. Look out for the speed signs near schools and slow down to improve safety for children.

No parking
It is important that you do not park in any area where this sign is displayed.

Children crossing
When the flags are displayed at a children's crossing, you must stop for pedestrians who are waiting to cross or who have started crossing. You must remain stopped until the crossing is clear. These rules apply even if there is no crossing supervisor.

No stopping
No stopping means you must not stop at the kerb for any reason.

Yellow edge lines
Must not stop or park your vehicle next to a continuous yellow edge line.

Understanding the rules at school crossings
- Please keep the children's crossing clear.
- Parking is not allowed within 20m before a school crossing or 10m after the crossing (unless otherwise signposted). Parking within this area makes it difficult for children and the crossing supervisor to get a clear view of the road.
- It is illegal to double park your car, i.e. you are not allowed to stop next to a parked car.

What you can do to ensure school zones remain safe
- Supervise children in or near traffic.
- Consider walking or cycling with your child to and from school.
- Respect the road rules and parking signs.
- Wait on the same side of the road as your child, to avoid your child dashing across the road to meet you.
- Get your child into the habit of using the car's kerbside doors, away from the traffic.
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