



**Road Safety Policy**

## ROAD SAFETY GUIDELINES

### **Vision:**

At Dalkeith Primary we believe that a road safety policy provides a framework of common understanding for students, staff, parents/carers and the community. Road safety is an essential part of the well being of our students and we aim to provide a safe and supportive environment for the school community. We endeavour to engage the whole school community in our road safety initiatives and we are committed to providing our students with road safety education across all year levels.

The main intention of this policy is to ensure the health, safety and welfare of our students who use the services and facilities of this school. We do this by assessing the risks in the road environment around our school, developing practical school management procedures and ensuring that curriculum that pertains to all road safety issues is taught to our students.

### **Environmental Statement:**

Dalkeith Primary School is situated at 44 Circe Circle Rd in a residential area with no adjacent neighbours. On the opposite side of Circe Circle and surrounding the school are residential houses. There is a school speed zone limited to 40km per/hr during the hours of **7.30 – 9am and 2.30 – 4pm** directly surrounding the school on Circe Circle and down to Waratah Ave, School Rd and along Adelma Rd.

Waratah Ave which runs parallel to Circe Circle is a main road with a busy bus route, shopping centre and car park. There is a cross walk attendant on Waratah Avenue from 8 – 9am and again at 3 – 4.00pm.

At the main entrance to the school there is parallel parking for teachers and parents and on the northern and western sides of the school there are parking bays. A trade entrance is at the northern side of the school. A footpath surrounds the school and students are required to cross Circe Circle to join up with footpaths on Adelma and School Roads.

School traffic is encouraged to travel in an anti-clockwise direction around Circe Circle.

Dalkeith Pre-Primary is situated off site on the corner of Beatrice Rd and Victoria Avenue. There is a speed zone limited to 40km on both of these roads and twenty parking bays on Beatrice Rd.

### **Aim:**

The aim of this policy is to ensure the health, safety and welfare of our students and families who commute to and from the school. We do this by assessing the risks in the road environment around our school, developing practical school management procedures and ensuring that curriculum that pertains to all road safety issues is taught to our students. We aim to have procedures and practices in place that maximise the safety of students when they arrive at school and when they leave school.

**Parents and Community:**

- parents and families are involved in road safety initiatives
- road safety information and strategies for parents and families are provided on a regular basis through newsletter, assemblies and parent meetings.
- A dedicated road safety week is conducted on an annual basis
- Information on traffic management around the school and road safety advice to staff, parents and students including walking and cycling to school and parking is communicated on a regular basis through the school newsletter and assemblies
- The school works in partnership with the City of Nedlands on traffic management issues.

**School Commitment:**

Road safety education has been and will continue to be a vital part of our education at Dalkeith Primary School. Students will learn to behave in a safe and responsible way on the roads as passengers, pedestrians and cyclists.

Students will develop the following road safety awareness:

- knowledge and understanding of road use and road environments;
- skills for road use in varying traffic environments;
- responsible attitudes, values and road use behaviours.
- Safety on wheels (bicycles, scooters, skateboards, rip-sticks and rollerblades)
- Passenger safety in cars and buses
- Pedestrian safety

**Procedure in the event of a road accident:**

- limit the stress and danger to others and the casualty by controlling the crowd and bystanders
- parents will be notified and police if necessary
- students and families will be offered counselling
- statements and an incident report will be completed and factors investigated by the School Road Safety Team and Police if necessary
- at all times respect and confidentiality will be given to all parties concerned.