

Road Safety

Introduction

At Paraparaumu Beach School we acknowledge the dangers in and around roads. Appropriate programmes, training and processes will mitigate risk. This responsibility is shared between home and school.

Guidelines and Procedures

Appropriate programmes encourage students to use the road with safety and confidence.

At Paraparaumu Beach School

- Road Safety and Bike Safety are components of our educational programme.
- Road safety resources are included in the classroom programme where appropriate. Programmes such as 'Bikewise' and 'Feet First' are utilised school-wide.
- The wearing of cycle helmets is compulsory when riding a bike and encouraged for scooters and skateboard. Parents and staff will take equal responsibility to remind students about this aspect of safety.
- Students under the age of 9 are discouraged from cycling to and from school.
- School patrols are trained by police officers to assist in establishing road safety practices. Students must have written parental permission before undertaking the responsibility of road patrol.
- Daily supervision of the school's pedestrian crossings is part of the duty teacher's responsibility as assigned by the Assistant Principal.
- Official Road Patrol clothing is worn by the road patrols and staff when on duty.
- Staff on Road Patrol must be on time for the 8.30 or 2.55 patrols. Patrollers will wait until a staff member or designated adult is present before beginning their duty.
- The adult on patrol duty is primarily there to support the student patrollers.
- The adult on patrol duty will record any infringements, safety issues or misdemeanours in the notebook provided including day, time and vehicle registration and the issue.
- The Assistant Principal is responsible for recording and following up on any particularly dangerous or on-going issues with Police.
- Any parents assisting with road patrol will be assisted by staff.
- People riding bikes, scooters or skateboard will dismount their ride at the blue lines and walk their wheeled items into the school grounds.

Conclusion

Road safety awareness is vital component of Health and Safety

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