

## TRAFFIC SAFETY RULES

We do not have very much room to drop off and pick up students in front of the school. It is essential that drivers follow the traffic safety rules so that all of our children can get to and from school safely every day.

In consideration of the children's safety, please obey the following traffic rules as outlined by the City of Burnaby:

- Do not wait or park in the PICK UP/DROP OFF zone.
- Only pick up and drop off your children in the pick up/drop off zone in front of the school, not in the middle of the road.
- No jaywalking.
- No 3-point turns.
- No U-turns.
- Do not enter the teacher's parking lot.
- Do not wait or park in a NO STOPPING zone.
- Another option is to park your car on Hunter Street and use the crosswalk to pick up your children. The south side of Piper Street is also available.

There seems to be a great deal of confusion about the pick up/drop off zone. Many parents park there while waiting for their kids to come out, or park there while waiting for a caregiver to return from dropping kids at their classrooms. The pick up/drop off zone is not a parking zone. It is not a waiting zone. It is not an "I just need to grab something quickly" zone. It is not a "catch up with your friends while the children are in the car" zone. There is room for only three or four cars in the pick up/drop off zone. If you are waiting there for longer than it takes for your children to get in or out of the car, you are preventing other people from using the zone and you are creating a dangerous situation for all of the children and drivers.

If you are dropping off, you must leave the pick up/drop off zone as soon as your children are out of the car. You cannot wait in the car while a caregiver walks your children to their classrooms. If you arrive at school before 3pm, you cannot park in the pick up/drop off zone. If you arrive at the pick up/drop off zone and find that your children have not yet arrived, you must drive across Government Rd to the end of Piper, where you can safely turn around, and then come back to the school.

We all have the common goal of wanting to keep our children safe. Please remember that while the pick up/drop off rules can at times seem inconvenient, we are trying to keep traffic flowing smoothly and respectfully, and we want to ensure that every one of our children gets home safely at the end of the day.

Thank you for your care and consideration!