

AVOCA BEACH PUBLIC SCHOOL

Providing opportunities and success in a caring, safe environment

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Kiss & Drop/Go

Dear Parents & Carers, 05/02/2021

We thank you for working with us during this phase of physical distancing and avoiding coming onto school grounds. Our Kiss & Go option has been even busier than usual. We are asking families to support us in making the Kiss & Go routine more efficient. We can only be successful in achieving that if everyone does their bit. Morning drop off usually works well but, afternoons are more complicated.

Here are some requests to help it run smoothly:

- Children are released from class at 3:20pm. Please time your arrival at the Kiss & Go Zone to pick up your children for 3:20pm onwards.
- Encourage your child to make their way promptly from their classrooms to the Kiss & Go area.
- Establish a routine for pickup with your child. It may also be beneficial for our little people to practise their routine so they know exactly what to do and understand the need to be safe & prompt.

Name Labels for Windscreens

Attached is a name label for display in your windscreen. It is important to display this label so the teacher on Kiss & Go duty can call your child's name and they can be ready to walk to your car. This will help to keep the traffic flowing and make the Kiss & Go Zone work more efficiently.

Making the Area Safe for Children

- As cars leave the area, please drive as far along the area as possible so there is space behind your vehicle for others.
- Please leave the Bus Bay free at all times. Cueing for Kiss & Go should wait prior to the Bus Bay area and move forward only when there is space in front on the Bus Bay area.

Road Rules

Please be aware, there are two road rules on the use of Kiss & Go Zones.

- 1. Drivers must stay with their vehicles,
- 2. Vehicles are only allowed to stand in Kiss & Go Zones for a maximum of 2 minutes. Once the two minutes are up, drivers must drive around the block to allow additional time for their child to arrive at the Kiss & Go Zone. This is why it is important for children to promptly make their way to the Kiss & Go area.

We are of course not an authority to enforce road rules or manage traffic. We encourage our families to follow the road rules and avoid fines and demerit points.

Working together

This is about the safety of young children and making the afternoon pick up as hassle-free for everyone as possible. The school seeks your support in achieving both of these objectives for the benefit of all.

One final note

Please be courteous with other drivers and school staff when using the zone. School should be a place where children feel safe and secure. Respectful relationships and courteous dialogue are necessary to ensure this will be their experience of school.

Kind regards, Mr. Ben Thomas Principal