

Travelling safely to and from school by car

Many children travel to and from school each day in their family's car. Here are a few tips and suggestions to make the journey a safe one.



- Make sure each child in your car is wearing a restraint.
- Seat your child in the back seat of the car where it is safer. Children aged 4 to 7 years are only allowed to sit in the front seat when all of the back seats are occupied by younger children.
- Store your child's bag and sports gear in the boot of the car.
- Driver distractions can cause a crash. Explain why it is important for your child to be a quiet passenger while you are driving.
- Drive slowly and carefully near schools. The speed limit is 40km/h.



- Try to pick up and drop off your child on the school side of the road even if this means parking further away from the school.
- Make sure your child always enters and exits the car on the kerb side - the safety door side.



