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Council conducts parking patrols in school zones

Shoalhaven City Council rangers will be aiming to enhance the safety of school children arriving and departing in school zones during 2010.

Parking restrictions around school zones are enforced for the safety of school children, to alleviate traffic congestion around schools and to help reduce the likelihood of traffic accidents and possible injuries to children or other pedestrians or road users.

Shoalhaven City Council strongly encourages all parents and people either dropping off or picking up school children to obey all parking restrictions around schools and to comply with the road rules.

Shoalhaven City Mayor Councillor Paul Green said the school zones are designed with the safety of children and road users in mind.

“At drop off and pick up times these zones can be busy,” Cllr Green said. “Many small children are both difficult to see and unpredictable in traffic. Young children cannot properly judge the speed and distance of a vehicle and have difficulty coordinating traffic noise with the direction and the approach of a vehicle.”

Councillor Green stressed that all drivers need to be aware of children and the restrictions in place in these zones.

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