

# **Accessing College Car Parks**

In response to trials during 2018, the following traffic management plan will be implemented to enable families to access and depart from College car parks with minimal delay while protecting the safety of pedestrians. The trial revealed that maintaining the Weir Drive car park as the main afternoon collection point is the most effective option. This car park will continue to be the departure point for camps and 7-12 sport buses. The key objective for 2019 will be reducing congestion in East car park by limiting access to families with students in Childcare to Year 3. Below is a summary of the implications of the traffic management plan for families.

# Families with children in Childcare to Year 3

East carpark has been reserved for families with young children due to the greater need to park rather than use the drop off lanes. At peak times, the centre parking spaces are limited to 10-minute parking to ensure there are enough parking spaces for families. Parents intending to stay longer or volunteer for class activities are encouraged to park in the outer spaces to the left of the main access lane. There is a short Drop & Go loading zone along the blue fence for families with children old enough not needing to be walked to class. Drivers are to remain with their vehicle to keep this lane flowing. This maximises the available parking spaces by reducing the number of cars parking. During 2018, many parents found parking in the Weir Drive car park and walking their children to class a desirable option.

Significant congestion can be avoided if drivers exiting this car park stay in the left lane of Reserve Road until the second set of traffic lights and use the round-a-bout in Hargreaves Road to return eastbound on Reserve Road.

## Families with their youngest child in Year 4 or above

### Mornings

Use the two quick Drop & Go lanes in the Western car park that wrap around to the left of the new Centre of Music Excellence building. Families needing short term parking to unload bulky items or meet College staff can park either side of the Chapel. Weir Drive remains open for parking or using the Drop & Go lane beside the orange barriers. Parking at the bus stops in Reserve Road is dangerous and illegal.

#### Afternoons

Between 2.30pm and 3.30pm the Western Gate will be closed to enable pedestrians quick access to Weir Drive car park. Weir Drive car park has proven to be significantly faster and easier to collect students and depart than the Western car park. Good departure rates are achieved by keeping the townhouse side of Weir Drive free of parked vehicles to maintain lane width for traffic flow in both directions. Staff will be on duty in this car park and at the exit to assist traffic flow and pedestrian safety.

The College buses will use the loading zone near the MPH in the afternoons to collect students. After 3.30pm the Western Gate will be reopened to allow families to use the Drop & Go lanes or park either side of the Chapel to collect students or access the MPH or Dance Studio. To avoid potential conflicts with College buses, the car park beside the Dance Studio is reserved for College staff and not accessible by parents until after 5pm.

The map provides a summary of the traffic management plan for the College. We anticipate with continued support of the community, the improvements achieved last year to traffic flow and safety to be further enhanced with the adoption of this plan.

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# Saint Stephen's College Car Park Access

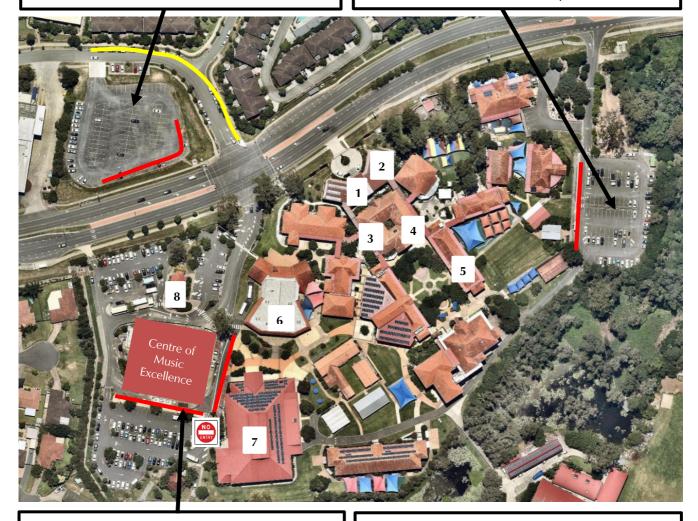
### Weir Drive Car Park

- Drop & Go lane (red line) and parking am and pm.
- Afternoon collection point for families in Years 4 12.
- Used by 10 to 18 buses from 11am to 1pm on Fridays.
- No parking along the townhouse side of Weir Drive
- (yellow line) to maintain lane width for traffic flow. - Staff provide traffic direction at the exit in the
- afternoons and manage the Drop & Go lane.

### **East Car Park**

- Reserved for families with a child in Childcare to Year 3.Short term parking at peak times.
- Limited Drop & Co space closest to Prep (Red line).

- Departing cars stay out of right turn lane to Weir Drive, instead use the round-a-bout in Hargreaves Road at the next set of lights. Minimises congestion by avoiding delay crossing traffic to right lane and encourages families with older children to use Weir Drive car park.



## Western Car Park

- Drop & Go loading zones available in the mornings and after 3.30pm (Red lines).
- Visitor parking available either side of the Chapel (8).
- Passes available from the Health Centre to use parking beside Chapel to collect students with injuries affecting their mobility.
- No access, except College staff, in the parking area beside the Dance studio before 5pm.
- Short-term parking available in the mornings or after
- 3.30pm either side of the Chapel

### **Key Campus Locations**

- 1. Main Administration
- 2. Accounts
- 3. Student Welfare (7-12)
- 4. Health Centre
- 5. P-6 Administration
- 6. GFA
- 7. MPH Sports Office / Dance Studio
- 8. Chapel