



# Petrie State School

## Look Out Zone

Picking up children from school is often a frustrating experience. At Petrie State School we operate a Look Out program on Tandoor Drive to make it safer for our students.

For the safety of all students, the school gates will be closed and no vehicles will be permitted to enter the grounds to pick up students after school. The **Look Out Program** provides for the afternoon pick up at the loading zone on Tandoor Drive. The loading Zone is a 2-minute zone.

### How does the program work?

The loading zone is supervised by school staff who ensure that it is functioning effectively and there are no unsafe practices such as;

- children loading into double parked cars,
- loading into the driver side of the vehicle,
- vehicles standing for more than 2 minutes, or
- students putting bags into vehicle boots.



Children will be waiting for their parents inside the school gate. The loading zone takes 4 cars. The staff member on duty will only load the 4 vehicles in the 2-minute loading zone. If your child is not waiting for you when your vehicle gets to the loading zone, you will be asked to move on, do the block and re-join the end of the queue.

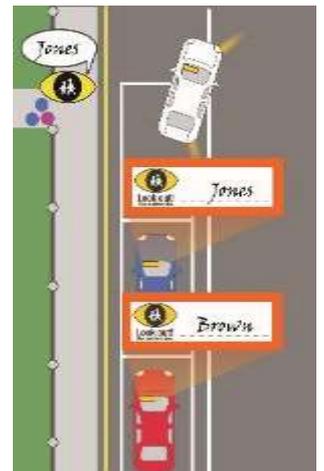
Parents who register to be a part of the Look Out Program will receive a name tag to be displayed on the passenger sun visor. This enables the staff member to identify your car in the line and have your child waiting at the gate for you when you reach the 2-minute loading zone. Registration forms are included with hits newsletter.

### Parents should:

- arrive at a time they know their children will be waiting (children do not get out of class until 3pm and will not generally get to the loading zone before 3.05pm). A staff member will be on duty at the loading zone, and children will be safely kept within the school grounds until parents arrive. If your vehicle is waiting prior to the time the children arrive, you may be asked to move on.
- have the name tag correctly displayed on the passenger sun visor
- stay in your vehicle, and ensure children have adequate space in the passenger area of the vehicle to place school bags.

### Parents should encourage their children to:

- arrive at the loading zone at an appropriate time so parents do not have to leave and re-join the queue; and
- look out for their parents and have their bags and other equipment ready to get in the car quickly, yet safely.



### *Have you considered coming a little later to avoid the congestion at 3pm?*

We understand that finding a park can be difficult or require a walk back to the school, however it is both illegal and inconsiderate to overstay your time in the loading zone. Please be courteous to other families.