



WE ARE A WALKING SCHOOL!



Safety First ... Traffic Concerns

With the start of a new school year, we are hopeful that many students will walk to school. If you must drive we are kindly asking that you respect our neighbours and not park in front of driveways. As well, we need you to leave space at the entrance and exits to our school kiss 'n ride and bus loop as drivers are finding it difficult to exit onto Carnwith. In order for all to be safe, drivers need a clear view of traffic and pedestrians. We remind you that jay-walking is not safe as Carnwith is a very busy 4 lane street.

Our kiss'n ride program is going well thanks to the wonderful volunteers assisting in this area. We also have several student helpers who are walking our kindergarten students into the fenced-in yard or the south door during inclement weather. Please note, that in order to increase student safety and assist with traffic flow, left-hand turns are no longer permitted during kiss'n ride hours. Please review the following kiss'n ride safety tips:

- ❖ **Please drive slowly and cautiously on school property**
- ❖ **Do not talk/text on cell phones while driving!**
- ❖ **Please pull your car up to the end of the kiss'n ride lane to drop off and/or pick up your children**
- ❖ **Do not park or drop off/pick up in our marked "Handicap parking spaces" unless your family requires this service**
- ❖ **Use the sidewalks and supervised crosswalk zones on school zones**
- ❖ **Please obey "No Left Turn" sign at the kiss'n ride exit**
- ❖ **Cars are not permitted in the bus loop at the south side of the school**

Message from the Town of Whitby:

To ensure safety, the Town of Whitby Parking Enforcement staff will be at Chris Hadfield Public School monitoring traffic and parking. They have provided the following guidelines:

Vehicles can never be parked:

- ❖ within 10 m of a crosswalk
- ❖ within 10 m of an intersection
- ❖ within 3 m of a fire hydrant
- ❖ within 1 m of either side of a driveway
- ❖ in a position which leaves less than 3 m of road width on or unduly restricts the flow of traffic

These do not have to be signed to be enforced.

Students cannot be dropped-off or picked-up within a No Stopping area. The penalty for stopping in a No Stopping area is \$60.00. Note that officers do not have to issue the parking ticket on a vehicle for it to be valid.

Thank you for helping keep our children safe!