## Not there, please.

The middle section of our parking lots are not designated for student drop-off or pick-up, primarily for safety concerns and the disruption to traffic flow. Please, ONLYSTOP TO DROP-OFF OR PICK-UP STUDENTS in the designated space along the sidewalk at the main entrance of the school.





## Follow the Rules of the Road

All along McRae Avenue are our neighbours and SPEED LIMIT signs. Disregarding the rules of the road can lead to you being ticketed by City Bylaw Enforcement Officers or the RCMP.

# **Tips & Suggestions**

### Avoid the Rush

Students can be dropped of as early as 8:05 am, and picked up as late as 2:30 pm. So why not avoid the busiest times of the day by showing up a little bit earlier in the morning (before 8:00) or a bit later after school (around 2:30).

### Walk, Bike or Bus to School

Instead of driving to school, have your child walk, bike or take transit route 32.

#### Choose an Alternate Location

Avoid our parking lot congestion altogether by using a different location to drop-off or pick-up your child so that he or she will have a shorter distance to walk to school.

## **Embrace Rainy Days**

Rainy days are the busiest in our parking lot. Instinctively, drivers want to drop-off students as close to the main entrance as possible so that their children don't get wet. Because we live in a temperate rain forest our students need to get used to walking, running and playing in wet weather. Thankfully we don't have polluted rain, so perhaps take a rainy day as an opportunity to teach your child the life-skill of using an umbrella. They'll thank you for it... eventually.



# Navigating The School Parking Lot

École Christine Morrison School



Student Drop-off and Pick-Up Procedures

## **Patterns & Routines**

École Christine Morrison's parking lot has a high volume of traffic before and after school. To help alleviate safety concerns and drivers' stress that come with the morning and afterschool rush, we need all drivers and students to understand and follow CME's drop -off and pick-up routines, with or without a traffic supervisor present.

Our childrens' safety is the most important concern for rules of the road. If we slow down, focus on taking a moment of care, following the guidelines with a good heart and a good mind, like we ask of the children, we can see that all our children are safe.



## **Morning Drop-off**

In the main drop-off/pick-up area, the centre lane is closed and the outside lane is for sequential drop off along the side walk.



Drivers need to move as far down the lane as possible — up to the sidewalk— before allowing children to exit vehicles.





This is especially important during the busiest time of the morning between 8:15 and 8:40 as it increases efficiency and safety for dropping students off before the welcoming bell at 8:28 am

## After School Pick-up

In the main drop-off/pick-up area, the outside lane along the sidewalk is designated Student Pick-up Lane, and the centre lane is open as a drive through lane only. FOR SAFETY REASONS, ABSOLUTELY NO STUDENT PICK-UPS IN THE CENTRE LANE.



During the busiest time between 2:10 and 2:35 drivers must remain in their vehicles and pull forward as space permits (KEEP CLOSE TO THE VEHICLE IN FRONT OF YOU), just like the system BC FERRIES use. This practice is extremely important as it reduces traffic congestion on the main entrance fairway, as well as driver/student stress.

