## **Traffic Committee**

The focus of the Traffic Committee is all forms of transport to and from school.

Safety reminders to parents in the NewsFlash make use of the extensive materials from Roads & Maritime Services setting out the road rules and penalties that apply around schools. The best summary is here. Periodic requests to the Willoughby City Council Compliance Unit always result in an increase in road rule enforcement activity.

At the start of each school year a briefing to Year 5 students explains the importance of the safety monitor role for morning drop-off. Year 5 students take this community service responsibility seriously and all parents are grateful for their service assisting children from cars dropping off on McMillan & Abbott Roads. The Centre for Road Safety has published this guide.

Each year in May the school, parents, children and the community get out for Walk Safely to School Day. About half the students at the school are regular walkers to and from school and on this Friday morning each year the numbers are boosted by younger siblings, pets and parents enjoying the walk together.

At the request of the P&C and the School, representations are made to Willoughby City Council and the NSW state government. In a significant victory for sustained lobbying over at least six years, an additional school bus route from Naremburn was introduced in 2012. This is appreciated by parents in the southern and eastern fringes of the school catchment. See route 761/669 on the Sydney buses site for the school.

Willoughby City Council repaved the McMillan Rd footpath in 2008. Willoughby City Council, Roads & Traffic Authority, Sydney Buses and NSW Police agreed to alter signage to get a longer morning drop-off zone in Abbott Rd in 2007.

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