

Children's Crossing - Traffic Wardens Q & A

Q: What steps is the school taking with regards to gaining regular coverage of the crossings non being manned?

A: The principal consistently engages with the Children Crossing Unit (Police), raising concerns and collaborating on solutions. The school ensures the Board and P & C are kept fully informed and work together work on solutions through various avenues i.e.: engaging with Local MLA Christine Tonkin, initiating the ['Walking School Bus' developed by the Department of Transport.](#)

Q: Why are parents notified at times without much notice

A: Most of the time the school is only provided information at very short notice. If the Warden is sick that morning the Children's Crossing Unit (Police) can be notified late which has a flow on effect for schools. All notifications are provided to parents via Skoolbag as soon as the school receives notification of the warden's absence.

Q: Why do the school staff not cover the crossings

A: This is not a service the Education Department provides as this comes under the jurisdiction of the Police. Schools are directed by Police not to take on the role of a Crossing Warden. Employees of the Department of Education are directed to adhere to police directions.

Q: Can parents/community members/staff volunteer to be a warden?

A: No, you cannot volunteer.

Q: How can I become a Cross Walk Warden and support this situation?

A: It is essential to have the relevant training provided through the *Children Crossing Unit*. You can contact them direct [6274 8731](tel:62748731) so an application pack can be sent to you.

Detailed information from the children's Crossing Unit can be found attached