

Safety - Respect - Learning

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Dear Students,

Changes to Supervision Around South Street and Southtown Shopping Centre

As you are aware, our school has offered staff supervision of road crossings and car parks adjacent to the school for a number of years. Student and staff safety is our first priority and and I would like to inform you of an important update regarding supervision arrangements around South Street and the Southtown Shopping Centre.

From 2025, there will no longer be a teacher rostered daily to supervise students crossing South Street or at the Southtown Shopping Centre. To ensure the safety of all students, it is critical that all students continue to demonstrate safe road conduct crossing South and Ramsay Streets safely as this is your responsibility. Please remember to:

- Use the designated zebra crossing and look both ways for vehicles before stepping onto the crossing
- At the traffic lights, wait for the green pedestrian light and always check for vehicles before crossing.
- Do not use mobile phones or headphones, while crossing and avoid other distractions

Our school is in a busy traffic area and we need all students to both model and encourage road safety principles. You will have an opportunity to engage in road safety information from the end of 2024, which will continue into 2025. The local Queensland Police Service (QPS) have been made aware of these changes. School staff will undertake bus supervision duties at the bus stops on Ramsay Street and for Term 1, staff will be rostered at the school gates on South Street and Catto Street to assist with this change in routine.

When visiting public areas such as Southtown Shopping Centre, you represent not only yourself but also our school. I encourage you to conduct yourself in a manner that reflects the values of **Safety, Respect, and Learning**, which underpin our school community. Please ensure that walkways are kept clear for all members of the public to access the Shopping Centre facilities.

Local businesses are important to our school community. These businesses have the right to follow up on any behaviour outside of the school that impacts them. The school may also follow up on behaviour that contravenes the Student Code of Conduct.

These changes are being communicated with your families and the wider school community to ensure everyone is informed and aware of their responsibilities.



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Thank you for your cooperation and your ongoing commitment to upholding the excellent reputation of Centenary Heights State High School. If you have any questions about these changes, please feel free to speak with a member of the school's leadership team.

Yours sincerely,

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