

BUS RULES

All students who travel on buses to Lameroo, Pinnaroo and Geranium schools are aware of the common bus rules which mean that the driver is able to drive the bus safely and not be distracted by poor student behaviour. The driver has a duty to ensure the safety and the behaviour of all students on the bus and must report continued misbehaviour to the Deputy Principal. The students in turn have a duty to behave responsibly so that the bus driver can deliver them safely to and from school every day.

Our bus rules state that students will:

- be at the bus pick-up point before the allotted time
- follow bus drivers instructions promptly and in a sensible manner
- remain seated at all times and behave in a quiet manner without excessive noise
- not throw any object around the bus OR out any bus window
- respect all bus travellers

Additionally, it is essential that the bus driver and / or the school is informed, as soon as possible, if students are not to be on the bus at any stage. Also students must obtain written permission from the Principal if they wish to travel on a different bus, or vary the stop. Parents of students who travel on buses are encouraged to discuss behaviour expectations and bus rules with their child/ren so that they can appreciate the need for a safe and responsible attitude towards the bus driver passengers and bus travel.

Bus Safety

Parents need to supervise children as they are picked up and dropped off from their bus. In particular could you see that your children do not move towards the bus until it has stopped.

Moreover, motorists are reminded of the speed limit of 25 kph when passing a school bus that has stopped to either pick-up or drop-off students. This rule applies to both bitumen and dirt roads and the 25 kph speed limit also applies between school signs when children are present - fines start at \$80.00 for travelling over these speed limits.

Consequences for Inappropriate Student Behaviour

The driver will inform the student of the reason for the warning. Each warning will be mailed / delivered to the family and a telephone call will be made to ensure that the note has been received / to clarify issues.

1st Warning - Child warned, information added to child's school file and parents informed.

2nd Warning - As above and a school penalty (white slip) may be added.

3rd Warning - As per 2nd Warning - however a suspension from bus travel will be imposed. It is then a parent responsibility to transport the child to school.

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Lameroo Regional Community School Bus Management Inappropriate Student Behaviour Warning Sheet

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DATE: / / STUDENT NAME: _____ BUS RUN: _____ <div style="text-align: center;"> AM / PM </div> DRIVER'S SIGNATURE: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Care: for others and their property and care of the bus <input type="checkbox"/> Courtesy: Use of manners <input type="checkbox"/> Co-operation: do as the bus driver ask quickly <input type="checkbox"/> Concern: Consider everyone's safety and feelings <input type="checkbox"/> Communications: Speak quietly <input type="checkbox"/> Other
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Driver Comment: _____

School Bus Coordinator: _____

School/Contact: _____



 Please return this slip as confirmation of your receipt of the School Bus Behaviour Notification to School Bus Coordinator as soon as practical.

The _____ Family have received the Behaviour Notification.

Comment: _____

Signed: _____