School Safety Zones
Protecting our children

School zone flashing lights provide an important warning to motorists that they are entering a 40km/h school zone. This lower speed limit reduces the risk and potential severity of a crash. The NSW Government has ensured that every school in NSW has at least one set of school zone flashing lights.

The school zone flashing lights program is one of the vital road safety programs funded through speed and red light camera fines by the Community Road Safety Fund.

The 40km/h school speed zones operate across NSW at all school sites on gazetted school days (including school development days). Motorists should drive no faster than 40 km/h through school zones. Most school zones operate from 8 to 9.30am and from 2.30 to 4pm on gazetted school days.

There are a small number of non-standard school zone times in NSW. They are identified by red/orange school zone signs to show non-standard times. Signs at these schools show the times that apply.