

The following information may be useful for copying and pasting into your school newsletters/letters to parents, or can be linked via social media.

Know your parking restrictions

There are many different types of parking restrictions in Brighton & Hove and here are the most common relating to schools:

- **School Keep Clears**

What are school keep clears for? For safety - to ensure clear sight lines for both motorists and children, as well as for other road users, outside schools. They provide a clear area in which families can cross more safely. The no stopping times on the yellow zig zags outside most school entrances are 8am - 6pm, Monday to Friday, except August.

No Stopping, No Excuses - No vehicles, including vehicles showing a Disabled Person's Blue Badge, are permitted to stop within the area of the markings during the times and dates the restriction is in force, even for picking up or setting down of passengers. Also, you must not load or unload within this restricted area during this time.

If the school lies within a Controlled Parking Zone (CPZ) then the School Keep Clear section will also be covered by a double yellow line restriction which prohibits parking within the School Keep Clear zone at any time of the day or night, year round.

If you stop on the School Keep Clears you will be liable for a [penalty charge notice](#) of £70. *This is the correct penalty charge as of May 2017.*

- [Double yellow lines](#)
- [Single yellow lines](#)
- [Parking on the pavement or verge](#)
- [Double parking and dropped footways](#)
- Most **bus stops** have a 'no stopping' order for all other vehicles
- **Pedestrian crossings** - the white zig zag restrictions are provided for safety reasons to prohibit waiting or parking and to ensure clear sight lines for both motorists and pedestrians. The Police can issue a fixed charge notice for an infringement, which also carries penalty points as well as a fine, and Civil Enforcement Officers (parking attendants) can issue a Penalty Charge Notice.
If you do not obey a parking restriction you may receive a penalty charge notice. Take a look at our [top 10 tips for avoiding a Penalty Charge Notice](#).

Instant Penalty Charge Notices outside schools

Civil Enforcement Officers can and do issue instant Penalty Charge Notices (PCNs) to drivers stopping on the parking restrictions outside schools. This means that the car registration details are logged together with a photo and the driver then receives a PCN through the post.