



Greg Piper MP

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ROAD SAFETY MEASURES FOR SCHOOLS

Greg Piper, Member for Lake Macquarie has welcomed the "dragon's teeth" road marking to be installed at school entrances in Lake Macquarie.

According to Mr Piper the new road markings will be installed over the next two and a half years.

"The new road markings will be a boost for safety and a great addition to flashing signs in school zones," Mr Piper said. "The 'dragon's teeth' will clearly indicate where drivers need to slow down, just as the flashing lights indicate when they should."

"Introducing 40 km/h speed zones at schools has improved safety," Mr Piper said. "I encourage the Government to maintain the roll-out of flashing signs to all schools as a high priority."

"The 'dragon's teeth' will be a quicker option to indicate school zones but in most cases should only be seen as an interim measure while waiting for flashing lights."

"The combination of 'dragon's teeth' and flashing signs must be treated as a priority, because nothing is more important than the safety of our children," Mr Piper said.

"Children can be unpredictable, so it's important the Government does absolutely everything it can to make sure they are safe on our local streets."

Mr Piper said the dragon's teeth program would involve painting triangular markings on each side of the road lane for 35 metres at the start of each school zone.

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