



Katikati College – New 40km/h Variable Speed Limit

Western Bay of Plenty District Council are preparing to install shared School Zone variable speed limit electronic signs for Katikati College and Katikati Primary School this term.

Variable speed limits on roads near schools are intended to meet the following objectives:

1. provide a safer environment outside schools during times of peak school activity
2. reinforce driver expectation of the likely presence of children
3. encourage active modes of travel (walking and cycling) to school



At peak before and after school times the signs will activate with a 40 lit up (pictured). This will mean a 40km/h maximum speed limit is in place.

The signs will not operate when both Katikati Primary School and Katikati College are closed during school holidays, weekends or teacher only days.

The 40km/h variable speed limit activation times are currently set for:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday:

7.55am – 8.45am and 2.45pm - 3.20pm.

Thursday:

8.10am – 9.10am and 2.45pm – 3.20pm

The 40km/h variable school speed zone will be on Beach Rd as indicated with the blue line on the below map. There will be two electronic signs on Beach Rd.

A metal static sign will be installed on Park Rd entering into the zone.



The electronic signs will allow for a 30km/h speed limit to be displayed, if the government passes new legislation for reduced speeds as expected.