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Monday 29 July 2019

CHILD RESTRAINT CHECKING DAY

Narrandera Shire Council is holding a free Child Restraint Checking Day this Saturday 3 August as part of Local Government Week.

Authorised restraint fitter, Rodney Flanagan from Safari Motors, will be available to check restraints at Marie Bashir Park between 9.30am and 12pm. There will be a jumping castle and face painting for the children.

Motor vehicle crashes are the cause of the highest number of deaths in children aged under 14 years and are the second highest cause of hospital admissions. The use of child restraints is to keep our children safe. All children must be safely fastened in the correct child car seat for their age and size.

“Having child restraints fitted correctly is important to ensure they are effective,” said Elizabeth Mudford, Narrandera Shire Council’s Road Safety Officer.

“Research shows that about two in every three child passengers are not correctly restrained in a child car seat. Children who are not restrained correctly are seven times more likely to sustain life-threatening injuries in a crash than those who are properly secured.”

“This is a great opportunity for parents and carers to have their child restraints checked for free.”

Information packs on child restraint laws and safety will be available on the day.



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Photo caption: All children must be safely fastened in a correctly fitted child restraint for their age and size.

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