

Tuesday 10th October 2023

Dear Parents / Carers.

I felt it was important to write to you all to mention an ongoing concern we are presented with on a daily basis. As you are aware from previous communications, the areas surrounding our school make driving and parking potentially very difficult for our local residents. We would like to encourage, as much as possible that students arrive to school by foot, bike or local transportation, to alleviate congestion created at the start and end of the school day.

I appreciate that many parents take the view that by driving their children to school they are keeping them safe. However, the combination of each individual decision means an increase in vehicle traffic and congestion particularly at the school gate and the surrounding roads.

We have been made aware by residents, on a number of occasions, that cars have been parked on pavements and across their driveways. I am sure that you will agree, this is unacceptable. For those that have no choice but to drive their child to school, please where possible, park away from the school, in a safe place, and walk your child in.

Although this is not a situation we can eradicate entirely, we can do our best to show consideration and compassion to our residents whilst ensuring the safety of our children remains a high priority.

Please do not:

- Block the road emergency vehicles and other traffic may need access.
- Park on double yellow lines or block the school entrance.
- Park on the pavement, across dropped kerbs or residents' driveways.
- Park opposite or within 10 metres of a junction.
- Park where you will cause inconvenience to other road users.
- Leave your vehicle with the engine still running.
- Stop in the middle of the road to drop your child off, even for a few seconds.

Please be respectful and considerate of our local residents to ensure they have access at all times to their driveways.

Thank you in advance for your continued support and consideration.

Kind regards,

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