



Dear Parent(s)

We have recently received several complaints about inconsiderate parking issues near to the school, which has included blocking driveways, parking on/near to a bend, causing an obstruction and even driving on the pavement when parents and children are walking past. If an incident occurs at drop off times, emergency vehicles may not be able to get to the school due to the manner in which vehicles are currently parking, potentially placing your child/children in danger.

This must stop with immediate effect, if not you risk being prosecuted or even having your vehicle towed away, as you could be committing one of the below offences:-

- Section 72 of the Highway Act 1835 makes it an offence to ride or drive on the footpath.
- Section 137 of the Highway Act 1980 makes it an offence to Wilfully Obstruct the Highway (e.g blocking a driveway or dropped kerb)
- Section 22 of the Road Traffic Act 1988 it is an offence to leave a Vehicle in a Dangerous Position (e.g parking on/near to a bend or junction)

Please be respectful of local residents and ensure that the journey to school for all children and parents is as safe as possible. Please obey the Highway Code which states:-

DO NOT stop or park:

- Near a school entrance
- Anywhere you would prevent access for emergency services
- Opposite or within 10 metres (32 feet) of a junction, except in an authorised parking space
- Where the kerb has been lowered to help wheelchair users and power mobility vehicles
- In front of an entrance to a property
- On a bend

We would actively encourage all parents that need to drive to school to park in a sensible manner at least two roads away from the school and walk their children to the entrance to prevent congestion outside the school making it a safer environment for your child/children.

Yours sincerely

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