

Dear Parents and Carers

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A letter from School Council re: Traffic Safety

We are very concerned about the important matter of pupil safety during school drop-off and pick-up times.

We receive regular complaints about inconsiderate and dangerous parking or stopping which are putting your children's safety at risk.

Pupils accessing school via the gennel between Carr Close and St Margaret Avenue are having to cross between parked vehicles which is extremely dangerous.

After a recent meeting, the School Council have decided to take action and would like you to take note of the following safety precautions:

- **Do not park or stop on or near yellow zig-zag lines – this is illegal**
- **Park considerately** -avoid blocking driveways, accessways and pavements
- **Do not park on or near junctions** – including the school driveway
- **Ensure emergency vehicles and buses can get past if needed**
- **Turn off your engine when parked** - engines left idling contribute to air pollution
- **Park further away from school if possible**

We are keen to encourage more children to walk to school. Aside from the obvious physical health benefits, walking to school with adults helps us to develop vital road safety skills and confidence. Walking is also proven to have a positive impact on our mental health.

We acknowledge that some parents have no option but to drive to school, however many are choosing to drive when walking is a real option. If we walk to school, we can earn more points on our Travel Tracker!

We are passionate about the safety of others and will be taking part in regular patrols outside school and issuing 'tickets' to any drivers who are not taking note of the above concerns.

If you receive a 'ticket' or are spoken to by a member of School Council, please treat us respectfully. We all share the responsibility of keeping our school community safe.

Thank you

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