

Thursday 08th February 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

RE: Drop off and parking at start and end of the day

Further to my correspondence in October of this school year, I felt it was important to write to you once more about our collective responsibility to maintain a safe journey to school for everyone while also respecting the local residents. We can do this in a number of ways:

- Please refrain from parking in the Hawkins Court private car park both before school and at the end of the school day. This is a permitted car park and the residents have raised concerns and frustrations about not being able to park in spaces where they have paid for permits as well as an increase in the amount of litter dropped in the area
- On Woodhill, cars must not be parked on the yellow zigzag "School Keep Clear" markings. These markings are to **prevent vehicles stopping or parking specifically outside the entrance of the school in order to keep sight lines clear for motorists and pedestrians**
- Please do not park too close to a road junction (for example, between Woodhill and Godfrey Hill) as this is an illegal offence. Take note of the signs that are placed on the junction
- Cars should not be parked on pathways during drop off and collection times
- Please consider the safety of young children and parents with pushchairs who may have to walk into the road and into the path of oncoming traffic to get past. Again, it is illegal to park a car on a pavement

In the meantime, we will continue to speak with parents who place members of our school community at risk and warning letters will be issued by the school.

Please consider whether you really need to use your car to make the journey to school at all. Not only is walking a healthier option and better for the environment, but it also helps to alleviate some of the problems we are currently facing at the start and end of the school day

I am sure we are all in agreement that the safety of all our children must continue to be our primary responsibility. In these circumstances, I appreciate your support in ensuring this takes priority over a convenient drop off or pick up.

Yours sincerely,



Mr Phillips
Headteacher

