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Dear parents and carers,

Following a review of our traffic management procedures on our site, I would like to share the following procedures to ensure safe access to and from the school. The purpose of this action is to ensure a safe environment for children and parents/guardians who travel to and from the school on a daily basis.

We kindly ask you not to travel faster than 5 miles per hour on the school grounds.



Parents are not allowed to park in the staff car park - parents are to use the large car park. Please drive safely and slowly near the school and don't park in areas that block the flow of traffic.

Disabled bay parking – If you are a blue badge holder and visiting the school, there are designated disabled parking bays to the left as you enter the school car park. We kindly ask that you do not use these bays unless you have a valid blue badge.



Parental responsibility - Pupils should stay with their parents / guardians when going to their cars. Once the children have been handed over by the staff to their parents at the end of the day, it is then your responsibility to ensure their safety. We kindly ask that you keep an eye on your children and ensure that they are not running around. **Please keep to the main pavement and cross the car park via the main flow Zebra crossing at the centre of the car park.** Many children and parents are crossing the main flow / one way system road and this is dangerous! Cars are also parking inconsiderately or on zigzag lines and this can cause visibility issues for pedestrians of all ages who are crossing the road!



We have received complaints by residents about parking outside the school and surrounding streets. Could you please ensure that you do not impede the local residence entering or leaving their homes when you bring or collect your child/children from school. PLEASE DO NOT PARK OVER DRIVEWAYS OF THE RESIDENTS AT ANY TIME or on the bend at the bottom of Woodbrook and Burrows Terrace. Parking across residents driveways is not acceptable. Please remember that the school is located in a residential area. It is an offence to wilfully obstruct the highway which can be enforced by police, but this will be used as a last resort as educating persons on safety and parking in the area is what we want to achieve. I appreciate that the school car park can be busy especially at the end of the school day, but parking in this manner in the locality is putting your children at risk. Please allow yourself extra time to park away from the school and walk round with your child if the car park is full or alternatively wait until a space becomes available.

Driving Children to school is seen as the most convenient choice for parents with busy lives. Many parents take the view that by driving their children to school they are keeping them safe. Yet the combination of each individual decision makes an increase in vehicle traffic and congestion, particularly at the school during collection time. Many children now miss out on the opportunity to develop vital road safety skills with their parents on the way to school. They fail to build up confidence and learn the ability to manage risk walking around their local community. Walking can

improve overall levels of fitness in children and adults. It is a cheap low impact way to exercise. This can have a positive impact both mentally and physically. We realise that there are some parents who have no alternative but to drive their children to school, however many are driving short distances where walking is a real option. Let's all take some personal responsibility and work together to ensure our school area is a safe place. I do appreciate that most of the parents walk or drive responsibly to school. Thank you for your good example and being an exemplary role model to the children.

I understand that it is busy in the mornings and afternoons and that parking, as in the majority of schools, can be difficult, but we all have a responsibility to ensure the safety of children, parents, staff and visitors around the school car park.

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