



Dear Parents/Guardians.

It is the start of a new academic year and for some pupils a new beginning at the school. The school environment is a safe secure place for your children to attend but we as parents and guardians also have a responsibility to try and improve the accessibility of pupils arriving to school. Inconsiderate and dangerous parking is one of the biggest safety concerns from parents outside Schools. Parked vehicles can hide pupils from passing drivers and stop pupils from being able to see approaching traffic. A number of youngsters injured as pedestrians have had their view of the road blocked by a parked car.

How would you feel if your parking contributed towards a pupil being injured?

Remember pupils need to see and be seen when crossing the roads so think seriously about the location of the school and neighbourhood and consider ways you can help as a parent/guardian to improve their road safety. If you use a vehicle to drop off and pick up your child from School, please consider parking further away from the entrance & exits in a **safe legal place** and walk the remainder of the journey.

Do Not Park on

- School Keep Clear Zig Zags
- Double/Single Yellow Lines
- Close to junctions / Drop Kerbs
- Near School Crossing Patrol locations
- On Pavements
- In front of resident driveways

Please remind your child about the importance of finding safer places to cross, stopping behind the kerb, looking, listening, and thinking, even if using a lollipop person or pedestrian facility. Making sure they have good visibility, taking their hoods down and no distractions for example with phones or friends when near roads.

Think about the safety of all Road Users.

