

**Date:** 07 December 2023

**Dear Parent/ Guardian**

**Polite request**

We politely ask those who drive their child/children to school observe and refrain from performing any of the below acts, as it has been noted that some parents are committing these acts on a regular basis, showing disregard to other road users, the safety of all children and the residents wanting to access and exit their driveways.

All we ask to help achieve a safer, cleaner environment for all is that you please do not:

- Stop in the middle of the road to drop your child off, even for a few seconds.
- Block the road - emergency vehicles and other traffic may need access
- Park on yellow lines, zig-zags or block the school entrance
- Park where you will cause inconvenience to other road users
- Sit or leave your vehicle with the engine running
- Park opposite or within 10 metres of a junction or where there are bollards in situ on footpaths
- Park on the pavement, H bars, across dropped kerbs and residents' driveways

**Road markings and restrictions are in place to keep yours/ other children safe, they are not there to ensure vehicle drivers have a free spot to stop and drop off/collect children. Think how you would feel if it was your child that got injured because of someone's inconsiderate parking.**

By following the polite request above you can make a huge difference to the congestion around schools, making it safer and less stressful for all.

Thank you for your co-operation with this matter.

Yours sincerely

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