



Monday 12th October 2026

Re: Parking and Road Safety Around School

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to ask for your support in helping to keep the area around our school safe for everyone during drop-off and collection times.

We have recently received a number of concerns from both parents and local residents regarding parking around the school, including some instances of unsafe and inconsiderate parking. I know that everyone wants our children to arrive and leave school safely, so I would like to take this opportunity to share a few important reminders:

- **Yellow zig-zag lines:** Please do not stop or park on the yellow zig-zag markings outside school. They are there to keep children safe by maintaining clear visibility and access.
- **Speed:** Please be particularly mindful of your speed when approaching and driving near the school, especially during busy drop-off and collection times.
- **Parking by the farmer's gate:** We kindly ask that this parking area is left available for school staff. This helps us minimise the number of vehicles pulling out immediately outside school at times when lots of children and families are arriving or leaving.
- **Considerate parking:** Please be mindful of our neighbours, ensuring that driveways and access points are kept clear and that vehicles are parked safely.

We fully appreciate that parking around school can be challenging, with limited spaces available. We understand that mornings can be busy, but we would encourage everyone to allow a little extra time where possible and to prioritise safe and considerate parking, even if this means arriving a few minutes later than planned. **The safety of our children and wider school community must always come first.**

Stop and Drop – Can You Help?

We always aim to have two members of staff supporting our morning Stop and Drop system. However, on days when we have staff illness or unexpected absences, this isn't always possible. In the past, parents have kindly given up their time to help support Stop and Drop. **If you could spare 15 minutes between 8:45am and 9:00am, whether regularly or occasionally, please let the school office know – it would be hugely appreciated.**

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We are very fortunate to have such a supportive school community, and I know that the vast majority of families are already doing their best to park safely and thoughtfully. Thank you for your continued consideration towards one another and our neighbours.

Thank you, as always, for your understanding and support.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Mrs Dover', written in a cursive style.

Mrs Dover
Headteacher