



In the light of God we care, we share, we laugh, we learn

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Dear Parents/Carers

### **Important: Please Read re Parking Issues**

Most of our school families, who travel to school by car, park courteously and safely. However, unfortunately, there are still too many parents/carers whose parking is dangerous and selfish.

As a result of our ongoing concerns for the safety of our pupils we have been liaising with the local police and councillors. You may have seen PCSO's in the area recently, who have been sharing leaflets regarding parking, and speaking to parents. They have now encouraged local residents, and our school community, to share with us photographs of inconsiderate or dangerously parked cars. We will then be passing these photographs directly to the police, who will in turn be contacting the offenders themselves as appropriate. Initially they will issue warning letters, but they do record the details so that repeat offenders can be identified. If issues still persist, they are prepared to periodically send a parking enforcement van through the area at drop off and pick up times.

It sounds obvious, but if you need to drive for the school drop off or pick up, then please show some consideration for the safety and wellbeing of others. Don't park on double yellow lines or school "keep clear" markings. Don't block driveways, junctions, or cause an obstruction to pupils and other pedestrians who are trying to cross roads. Rather than battle to find a space right outside the school gates or in the car park, it is probably far easier to park slightly further away and walk the last 5 minutes. You may well find that this is quicker, easier and far less stressful. Please also be mindful of speed restrictions.

By parking in a legal and considerate manner, you will help to keep our children safe, reduce congestion and improve the relationship of the school with its neighbours.

Thank you for your co-operation. Your support with this matter is very much appreciated. It would be wonderful to think that one day it won't be necessary to issue letters of this nature.

Yours sincerely

**MRS A DUNN**  
Headteacher

