



Dear Parent/Carer,

22 February 2018

School Barrier opening at morning drop off 8:25am – 8:35am

From Monday 26th February 2018

Over the past few months I have been made increasingly aware of concerns raised about dangerous parking and the safety of children and parents at the beginning of the school day.

Whilst the school has no power or legal rights to enforce parking restrictions on Church Walk I am very keen to do all I can to alleviate some of the problem. I am particularly concerned about the number of parents who are forced to reverse in a three point turn at our entrance point, when other cars are approaching in both directions.

As a result, we will be trialling opening the school barriers at **8:25 am until 8:35am** each day so that parents can drive into the school car park in a queuing system and drop children off at the side gate before leaving through the barrier exit gate.

This will ensure that most of the older children can be dropped off on school site and will be able to walk to their class entrance independently. Parking will not be permitted on the school car park and it can only be used as a drop off point. If parents of younger children need to supervise their children to classes then they will need to find an alternative place to park and walk in with their children.

I am sure that this system will alleviate some of the parking problems at drop off times but it can only continue if the following requests are acknowledged by all parents;

- Children must only be dropped off by the side gate on the school car park. This will be supervised by Mr Carroll or Mr Cooper. Children must not be allowed to walk across the car park at any time.
- All children should be prepared and ready to leave the car from the left hand side.
- Drivers must not overtake each other when they are waiting in the queue.
- **Parking is not allowed in the school car park at any time.**

I would request that parents who are parking on Church Walk do so considerately so that the free flow traffic can run smoothly. If you witness any dangerous driving, abuse or illegal parking on Church Walk I would strongly advise you to report it to the police on the non emergency number 101.

We appreciate your continued supported, and hope that you will continue showing each other respect and consideration in order to keep our children safe.

Yours sincerely,

Miss J Howse - Headteacher

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