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Dear parents and carers,

Re: Safe Parking

We know it can be very busy at the beginning and end of the day on the roads around the school and we know that parents have other places that they need to be. It is vital that all families and residents are safe at drop off and collection times. Therefore, we want to thank all of those families who have been walking to school or driving and parking considerately.

We would like to remind parents that the rules of the Highway Code still apply outside schools. We know that the busy roads outside of school can be challenging if the weather is bad or if families are running late, however we must still ensure we adhere to these rules. The rules have been put in place to ensure the safety of pedestrians and other road users.

Please remember to ensure;

- You are not double parked
- You have left enough space for an emergency vehicle to pass
- You do not park across driveways or school pathways
- You do not park on corners
- You do not park on double yellow lines or the school markings
- You do not stop to drop off or park in front of a gate where pupils and parents are walking
- You obey the speed limits

In order to improve the situation for our school community, we have been working closely with local traffic officers and the police. They have requested that we note down the registration details of parents who are not obeying the rules.

We are often approached by parents who are concerned about parking or driving near the school. Sometimes we are asked to intervene and support with parking disputes between parents. Up until now, we have been supporting parents and local residents with parking issues. Unfortunately, we are no longer able to do so because our staff have been subjected to abusive language and threats from parents when trying to ensure the safety of our families.

We ask that, if you have concerns about parking, you take these concerns to the police who can follow up on these.

Kind regards,

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Mrs Skinner

Inclusion, Pastoral and Safeguarding Lead

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