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Dear Parents

RE: Parking on the school carpark.

I hope that your children have had a positive start back to the new year. I am sure that the break must seem like a distant memory to them now.

Since we have returned, I have noticed that there is a significant increase in the amount of traffic using the school driveway and carpark in the morning and after school. Unfortunately this week, I observed a near miss which could have resulted in an injury to a parent or child.

As a result of this, from Monday 20th we will be closing the main gate (at the entrance to the driveway), to prevent any vehicular access (there will still be pedestrian access) at peak times, as follows:

Main Gate Closure

8.30am – 9.05am

3.00pm – 3.30pm

Morning Provision

If your child attends the provision before school, then parents are permitted to park on the school car park in the morning to drop your children off **until 8.30**, when the gates will be locked.

Afternoon provision and clubs.

If you are collecting your child from the after school provision, then parents are again permitted to park on the school carpark **after 4.30pm**. As our office is closed from 4.00pm (3.30pm on a Friday), there is a period of time where the office is unmanned and the intercom system isn't answered. Therefore, if you are collecting from an afterschool club, parents need to park on the main road. **Please do not park on the school driveway as this can cause an obstruction in an emergency.**

Parents or carers with mobility difficulties/blue badge holders

Parents with disabilities or mobility difficulties that require them access the school carpark, will still be permitted to do so by prior arrangement. However, we will not be able to grant access during the above closure times. Therefore, we are happy for you to arrive before 8.30am and wait on our carpark, but for safety and environmental reasons, we would ask you to turn off your engines. Current parents who access our carpark this way have been contacted today to discuss these arrangements in more detail.

I would like to thank parents for their support with these arrangements. I am sure that you will agree that they are necessary to ensure that we are doing all we can to keep your children safe.

Yours faithfully,

T Hinkley
Headteacher