BEANFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Parents/Carers,

Parking near the school site and considerate road use

We have received a number of complaints from the school's neighbours regarding inconsiderate, and often illegal, parking by parents accessing the school in the mornings and afternoons, including parking in the zig-zag lines outside school and parking across private driveways. I have also recently been made aware of parents who have been abusive and aggressive towards each other when someone has parked illegally and when others have taken photos to report it which is not acceptable.

As a reminder parking on the double yellow lines, on the zig zag lines, on a pavement so it is blocked or on the single yellow line when there are restrictions in place are all an offence which can result in a penalty notice being issued. I have now been informed by the police that we can not only send photos of illegal and dangerous parking into them, but for a quicker response we can report it directly via Operation Snap (more information can be found here: https://snap.northants.police.uk/snap). The police have informed me that this will result in named driver letters being sent out and fines being issued where there is evidence of an offence being committed.

We speak to the children regularly about road safety and keeping safe when crossing the road. You can help us to ensure children have a happy and safe journey into school each morning by considering one of the following:

Walking wherever possible

Not only is this a healthy way to get some exercise, but it supports the local community with congestion. In addition, it is much better for the environment.

Cycling or scooting

We have plenty of spaces to lock a bicycle or scooter inside the school gates including installing a second rack during half term on the walkway to the KS2 playground.

Parking responsibly

As with the majority of primary schools in the country, we do not have a 'parent' car park. If you do need to drive to drop off or collect your child please park considerately and ensure you are not obstructing drives, garages or access to roads. Please be respectful of our neighbours and remember that parking on ziz-zag lines at any time of the day is prohibited.

Our children's safety is our main priority and this includes their journey to and from school. We appreciate your continued support in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Samantha Eathorne Principal

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