



Dear Parents and Carers,

Friday 2nd October 2026

As highlighted in this week's newsletter, we have received an increasing number of complaints from local residents about parking around school at drop-off and collection times. These include vehicles blocking driveways, obstructing pavements and parking in places that reduce visibility for children crossing the road.

This is a matter of safety, as well as consideration for our neighbours. Children and other pedestrians should be able to approach school safely and residents must be able to access their homes without obstruction.

Please ensure that you:

- **Keep driveways clear at all times.** Stopping for "just a minute" can still prevent a resident from entering or leaving their property.
- **Keep pavements clear** so that children, pushchair users and wheelchair users are not forced into the road.
- **Observe parking restrictions and keep the school entrance and keep-clear markings clear.**
- **Avoid parking close to junctions or crossing points**, where vehicles can obstruct visibility.
- Allow sufficient time to park safely further away and walk the remaining distance where possible.

Please also be mindful of pedestrians when approaching the school with bikes or scooters, including e-scooters and dismount near the busy school entrance before entering the playground.

Whilst the school cannot enforce parking restrictions on public roads, we take these concerns seriously. We will be recording recurring problems and seeking support from Bury Council and Greater Manchester Police where necessary.

We recognise that many families already park responsibly and we appreciate your cooperation. However, convenience or being in a hurry cannot justify parking that puts others at risk or blocks access.

Please share this message with anyone who drops off or collects your child, including grandparents, relatives and other carers. We expect everyone in our school community to show the same respect and responsibility outside the school gates that we encourage within school.

Thank you for your support in keeping our children safe and maintaining positive relationships with our neighbours.
Kind regards,

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