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Dear Parents and Carers,

Parking and driving near school

To ensure the safety of our community, especially children who walk unaccompanied to school, please park respectfully and safety in the roads surrounding our school.

Once again I have been informed by residents in **Fyfield, Drapers Road, Beancroft and Danvers Close** that there have been parents parking their cars inconsiderately by blocking resident's driveways; using inappropriate language towards the home owner when asked to move and driving across gardens. I am aware that the local residents are reporting this to civil enforcement officers and in some cases to the police.

We have also recently had a parent damage a staff member's car when parking in the playground, and near misses where pedestrians and cars have almost been hit.

Below are our parking and driving guidelines.

- ***Staff car park is for staff and disabled drivers only*** *we don't have enough spaces in the car park for parents to use, on many occasions staff who start work at 9:00am have arrived at school and are unable to park.*
- ***Parking on the roads,*** *Please remember that the school is located in a residential area so please park considerately.*
- ***Parking across drives****, even for a few minutes, can cause great frustration and distress to local residents.*
- ***Parking on the pavement,*** *makes it very difficult for people with buggies or disabilities to get past. It can also force pedestrians to step onto the road to get around.*
- ***Driving across resident's garden,*** *a resident witnessed a parent/carer drive across her garden causing damage.*
- ***Parking on corners,*** *prevents a clear view for those crossing the road.*
- ***Disabled parking,*** *on the school grounds is for blue badge holders only, please be considerate as there are only two spaces available. If you are not presenting the blue badge, you will be asked to move.*

The Turning circle is available to use for dropping children off and picking them up.
There should be no cars parked by the circle as this causes dangerous congestion. The turning circle is a 'roundabout' so cars should go around the circle on the left hand side. Please do not cut across as there have been numerous close incidences of cars hitting each other.

Kind regards,

K Flowerdew

Mrs K Flowerdew
Headteacher

