



Executive Headteacher: Mrs L. Gould
Head of School: Mr R. Leigh

20th March 2019

Dear Parents / Carers,

RE: Parking and road issues

At a recent Governing body meeting we were asked to discuss the issue of the surrounding roads, parking and related issues. A number of you have approached the school to ask if the voluntary one-way system that used to be promoted could be re-introduced.

The voluntary one-way system running north to south down Irene Avenue, would require 100% participation for it to work. That would mean all school users, general public using the road, delivery drivers, residents etc. The highways department will not make Irene Avenue a permanent one-way street as there were objections from residents within the road in the past, as such trying to enforce a voluntary one-way system would not work as it would be impossible to get everyone to comply. There would also be no legal way of enforcing it and the school has no jurisdiction on the roads.

The only way to alleviate the issues with the roads and parking is to ask all our school users to be considerate to all other road users and residents. Those families that live within 1 mile of the school should be able to walk to and from the school unless there is an essential need for them not to.

Those families that live beyond this should consider driving closer to the school and then walking the last part of the journey. As a school we promote an active lifestyle and this can begin from home with a walk to and from school at the beginning and end of the day.

For those of you that have no option other than to drive, we ask you to please, not park across driveways, even if it is only for a couple of minutes. Do not park on zig zag or double yellow lines and do not park on the verges or pavements as these obstruct the pedestrian areas making it unsafe for the children. Whilst the school do not have jurisdiction on the roads, may I remind you that the road traffic act laws and regulations do apply and the local authority and Police can issue tickets and fines to drivers in breach of these.

The school will continue to work with residents, highways, and all school users to keep our school and surrounding area safe for the children and we ask all parents and careers to play their part in helping us to achieve this.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Innes'.

Michele Innes
Chair of Governors.