Heathland Whitefriars Federation

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As a Rights Respecting and Values-based school, we are committed to creating a safe, respectful, and positive environment for our children and wider community. We ask all parents and carers to support this by parking considerately and legally at drop-off and collection times. Parking on pavements, across driveways, or in restricted areas is not only unsafe but also causes upset to our neighbours and undermines the values we seek to instil in our pupils.

We expect every member of our school community to uphold these standards and to set the right example for our children by showing respect and care for others.

Please can we remind all those parents who drive to pick up or drop off their children, to adhere to the parking restrictions in place around the school.

Zig Zag Lines
We take the safety of our children very seriously and have identified that the area immediately around the school entrance is unsafe for the children when they arrive at or leave school. This is because of inappropriate parking, particularly on the zig zag lines. The zig zags lines are there so that children and parents can have a clear field of view to see traffic approaching and likewise, drivers have a clear view of any children who might wish to cross the road. If the zig zags are blocked by inconsiderate parking, then neither driver nor child can see each other and the risk of an accident is greatly increased.

Ideally every child would walk or cycle to school each day, but we realise this is not always possible. Sometimes children need to be driven to school as some live too far away to walk or parents have other commitments. If you do need to drive, we would ask that you commit to parking safely in an appropriate place away from the school entrance, so as to help protect all members of our school community.

Illegal Parking
We would also ask that you show consideration to our neighbours by not parking across their drives or blocking the entrance to their properties. We receive numerous complaints from local residents who have their driveways blocked and we encourage them to report all illegal parking to the local authority. As stated in the Traffic Management Act 2004, no part of a vehicle should be parked in front of the lowered section of pavement or kerb.

This applies to all lowered footways, you MUST NOT park or wait here:

- property driveways (on or across)
- pedestrian crossing points
- Zig Zag lines
- pram crossings

Thank you for your continued support

Kind regards,
Heathland School

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