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CAR PARKING

Dear Families,

Thank you to the great majority of drivers who park your car in a safe and considerate way when on the school run.

Unfortunately we are experiencing an increasing number of complaints in school about some of your conduct towards other families and examples of dangerous driving. There have been instances where;

- driveways of the local community have been blocked and threats have been made;
- staff and customers from the Beefeater have been verbally abused;
- car doors have been opened into pavements knocking into pupils;
- dangerous reversing from the main road onto pavements and side streets;
- parents are telling us their child has nearly been run over.

You will know that school has no power to reprimand anyone for inconsiderate or dangerous parking. I can only request that everyone makes an extra effort to take care on the roads around school and to look out for each other and recommend that you report serious incidents as a crime to 111.

We recognise things aren't easy at the moment – roadworks on Middleton Road and reduced spaces available at the Beefeater are adding stress onto an already stressful situation. You know that the school car park is not available for families to use for drop off and pick up at the start and end of the school day (so no families should be there from 8.30am – 9am and again from 2.30pm until 3.15pm.) Neither is the bus lane a space to use - Civil Parking Attendance Officers will be attending regularly this term and do issue tickets for parking in the bus lane.

Do any of these ideas help you or offer a solution?

- Can you car share (take dropping off and picking up in turns) with someone who lives nearby and reduce the number of cars around school?
- Can you come 10 minutes earlier and park further away and walk to school?
- Could you use public transport?

Please let's all follow the rules of the road. They are there to keep your children and families safe.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs R Jacques
Head teacher