

COTTESBROOKE INFANT & NURSERY SCHOOL

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Parking around school

Dear Parents and Carers

I have written many times in the past about parking on Cottesbrook Road and around the school at the beginning and end of the day. It is an ongoing issue that frequently leads to local residents falling out with the school due to the thoughtlessness of people who block residents' drives, park on residents' drives and verbally abuse residents when they complain. I have asked families to walk or park in surrounding roads and walk a little bit to ease congestion around the school and make it safer for the children.

Yesterday the police emailed the following: *Parking Issues around Schools: We are using a new method where we take photographs of offending vehicles and complete the tickets back at the station, which are then sent out in the post. This enables us to patrol more effectively as, rather than being tied up with one vehicle for several minutes whilst other vehicles drive away, we can photograph all the offending vehicles in one pass and usually there are more parked in the same location on the return journey! However, the drivers do not get any warning and therefore, may be unaware that they are going to receive the tickets in the post.*

Can you please send a warning out to parents as soon as possible about the initiative as we are already starting to see repeat offenders who have not received their tickets yet so the fines/points will be adding up and could ultimately result in them losing their licence?

Examples of illegal parking include:

- Parking within 10 metres (32 feet) of a junction
- Parking on the white zigzags by the crossing
- Parking on the yellow zigzags on Cottesbrook Road between 8am and 5pm
- Parking on the pavement so as to cause an obstruction
- Parking across a dropped curb
- Parking across the entrance to a property

This is action undertaken by the police and is nothing to do with Cottesbrooke Infant & Nursery School. If you receive a letter through the post from the police linked to parking illegally around the school we are not responsible.

Yours sincerely

W. Loughlin
Head Teacher

