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Dear Parents/Carers

Arrangements for the Beginning and End of the School Day from Monday 29th April 2024

I am writing to you in regards to issues we are currently having at the beginning and end of the school day. Over the past couple of years, numbers in the school have increased which has obviously impacted on the number of vehicles on site. We are aware of the struggle for parents/carers to find on-site parking spaces which can lead to them having to queue until a space becomes available. We understand that people lead busy lives and need to get to work and/or drop siblings at other schools however, this situation is now a health and safety issue and, if not addressed, we are concerned that this could result in injury to an adult or child.

For the past few months, we have become increasingly concerned that cars are being parked on the main road leading to Royal Harbour and pupils/students are often being escorted across the road and/or through our minibus area. Parents/carers are also parking right outside the main Royal Harbour gates and within the lay-by outside the school which is intended to ensure the free flow of vehicles along the main road. We have had complaints regarding this situation from parents/carers of Royal Harbour pupils therefore, this is not helping with relations between us and our neighbouring school.

From Monday 29th April, cars will not be permitted to park along the main road outside the school. We ask that all vehicles come into the main school grounds via the far (secondary) entrance and park in the main car park. We appreciate that this may mean parents/carers having to queue and wait for a space however, I'm sure you will agree that this solution is preferable to someone getting injured.

If parents/carers manage to find a space within the staff car park, they are welcome to park there however, we ask that they use the zebra crossings and pavement areas to walk around the school, not entering the grounds through the far vehicle entrance.

Staff will be on hand from Monday to prevent cars from parking on the main road and to guide them to a parking space. Could I please ask that staff are treated with respect and courtesy whilst we all get used to these new arrangements.



As I have said, we do appreciate that the number of vehicles can mean that parents/carers are having to queue for a car parking space however, please be assured we will do everything we can to make the situation run as smoothly and safely as possible for everyone.

Kind regards



Adrian Mount
Headteacher

