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Dear Parents

Parking and driving around the school site

Thank you to those parents who continue to park and drive responsibly, safely and respectfully around school.

However, I would like to draw to your attention to the fact that we have had reports of dangerous parking by parents and have received telephone calls to the office from frustrated parents who have witnessed and reported their safety concerns.

Unfortunately, we as a school cannot get involved in parental disagreements that are off the school premises. If you encounter any problems, then these should be reported to the Police immediately.

We have contacted the community Police and also Civil Enforcement Officers at Sandwell MBC to discuss our concerns for our children's safety. Following on from these discussions officers are patrolling the area on a regular basis. The Traffic Surveillance Vehicle will be in the area and will be issuing parking fines for any illegally parked vehicles on prohibited lines and for any vehicles parked on the pavements restricting or obstructing pedestrian access. Sandwell Council currently issues Penalty Charge Notices to vehicles which are parked in contravention of Traffic Regulation Orders on-street and in public off-street car parks under the powers contained in the Traffic Management Act 2004.

Please be mindful of where you park your vehicle when dropping off and collecting your children to avoid potential penalties and upsetting other parents, children and our neighbours.

Thank you for your understanding.

Yours sincerely

Mr Heather <u>Headteacher</u>