



Shine as Lights in the World
Philippians 2.15

Tuesday 12th November 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are writing to you today on the subject of transporting your children to and from school.

We have frequent contact with the residents of the houses that are next to the school on the topic of parking, dropping off and picking up. Mrs Gent and the staff are often being brought into matters related to parking, rather than focussing entirely on providing the very best education and experiences for the children at school.

You may not be aware of this, but the school does not own or run the drop off zone on Oak Drive; we license it from the residents of Deanfield Grange. The facility is kindly run and maintained by the residents of the Deanfield Grange estate and we license it on the basis that we utilise it in a respectful manner.

We therefore simply ask that you park or wait with due consideration of the residents and the children and do not do anything to disturb our neighbours. The vast majority of you do this every day and we thank you for that.

There are areas we need to improve on collectively. We respectfully ask that people refrain from:

- Parking across residents' driveways or walkways
- Parking in residents' private parking bays / blocking people in
- Parking up on the curbs on the corners of Brook Lane, Oak Drive and Field Way - this really causes traffic issues and is in fact against the Highway Code, because it potentially blocks emergency vehicle access
- Parking up on the curbs at the entrance to the drop off zone, so others cannot pass
- Waiting across the junctions, blocking accesses for others or emergency vehicles
- Waiting with your engine running once parked, causing unnecessary air pollution right next to the school and your children.
- Littering or allowing those you are responsible for to litter
- Jumping / walking across the culvert and damaging the bushes

Alternative parking is available at both the Shipton and Milton village halls, both of which are a short walk from the school. Using these car parks would help to alleviate traffic around the school as well as provide an opportunity for families to get some extra steps in on the walk to and from school.



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As our children “shine as lights in the world” each day, it is up to us to also follow their lead in how we conduct ourselves in this area. We thank you very much for your cooperation and support in this matter. To help encourage good relations with our neighbours we ask that, rather than posting comments referencing parking on social media, you instead report any genuine concerns to the school.

Please pass this information on to anyone who may pick up children for you e.g. grandparents, friends / family etc.

Yours faithfully,

The Governors of Wychwood Primary School