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Dear Parents/Carers,

Unfortunately, I am having to write again concerning the parking and safety of our children outside of the school when dropping off and collecting them at the beginning of the school day (including Breakfast Club) and end of the school day. We are asking for your support in improving the current poor standards of parking and driving outside of our school. This follows complaints and observations from members of the public, staff, other parents and parishioners. Reports have been made of parking on the Zig-Zag lines, on the grass verge opposite the school, on the entrance to the Church car park and on double yellow lines. This parking puts children, pedestrians and other drivers at great risk as visibility to cross the road and walk safely on the path is obstructed.

There are yellow lines and Zig zag lines identifying areas where you **MUST NOT PARK**. Drivers **must not** use the entrance to the staff car park to turn; this is obviously very dangerous to pedestrians and members of staff exiting the car park.

Do not enter our school **staff** car park in the morning (unless you have accessibility requirements).

Do not enter our school **staff** car park before **4.30pm** when you may collect your child from Evening Owls after school club **only**.

Breakfast Club – Your child is your responsibility until handed over to the Breakfast club staff no earlier than 7.45am. Do not leave your child unsupervised in the playground or unaccompanied to walk through the staff car park.

We are continuing to work with the Medway Council Safer Journeys team, however it is ultimately the responsibility of drivers to park safely for the well-being of our children and community and to set a good example to our children.

If you rely on others to transport your child to or from school, please relay this information to them to ensure their safety.

I expect to see an immediate improvement. Thank you for your support and action in **keeping our children safe**.

Yours sincerely

Mrs L. Prestidge
Head Teacher