



Denmead Junior School

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Dear parents and carers,

Parking issues for DJS

Further to previous polite requests, I feel it is necessary to write to you again about inconsiderate parking, which includes, misuse of the car park, blocking driveways and roadways, using private spaces and dangerous parking along the Old River area behind the school.

The school has also been contacted by a resident who counted 50 cars in their road at pick up time this week, where there are a fraction of this number of houses. Residents tell us they are unable to leave or enter their private driveways at times, putting members of one family at risk, when there was a medical emergency on one occasion.

In addition, it is a nuisance to the residents when impatient drivers press their car horns in attempts to get other cars to move on. This has resulted in an unpleasant confrontation taking place and we understand children, their families and other residents witnessed this upsetting event. Please remember that the school is located in a residential area.

Every day there is always a car parked on the yellow hatchings in the car park, which makes it difficult for other cars to leave, there are always children jumping into cars which blocks the exit and there are often cars also blocking the two disabled parking bays too.

Driving and parking in this manner is putting children at risk. One day there will be an accident and we would all hate that to happen to any child or family.

We appreciate that parking for the school pick up is particularly difficult. However, at 3.30pm the children become your responsibility and in accordance with our Home School Agreement we do expect children to be collected from school at this time.

I know that the vast majority of you always park appropriately and with consideration for others and probably find the regular communication about this bewildering and frustrating. If you witness any actions outside school that concern you, please can I ask that you report it to the police using the 101 number.

Thank you for your support and co-operation.

Elaine Viner
Head Teacher

