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Dear Parents/Carers

Parking

We have had several complaints this week about the parking situation outside of our school. Members of the public are shocked at the complete lack of regard some of our parents/carers are showing when dropping off/picking up children for school and nursery.

As a reminder, the Family Hub car park is private property. It is illegal to park here without permission. Please can parents/carers refrain from parking in this car park.

The driveway leading from St Mary's Road heading towards our school and the Family Hub is also private property. It is illegal to park here. It is also extremely dangerous as you could potentially block fire exits and access to emergency vehicles. This includes parking outside the entrance to our kitchen and plant room at the back of the school. Please do not block these entrances under any circumstances.

I would also like to remind you that cars should not be stopping on the zig-zags outside of our school or the double yellow lines. Parking on the double yellow lines outside of our school makes St Mary's Road extremely narrow, slowing the flow of traffic, blocking the road for any emergency vehicles and making the road hard to cross for adults and children. Please remember, you are putting everyone at risk by doing this.

If you are unable to walk to school, there is parking available on St Mary's Road in the marked bays. If you are unable to park on St Mary's Road, you will need to find an alternative place to park. I understand this may be inconvenient for some of our families, but the health and safety of our children is paramount.

Thank you for your understanding in this important matter.

Yours sincerely

Amanda McGarrigle
Headteacher