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Laurance Haines School

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Safety around Laurance Haines

Dear Parents and Carers,

Since the beginning of the school year, we have all been supporting each other in different ways to remain as safe as possible. We have had to be even more mindful of others and have had to show cooperation when dealing with the necessary changes. Most notably, I would like to thank you again for your patience in our change of arrangements for the beginning and end of the school day.

Despite the obvious support from the majority of our community, there have been a number of parents who have caused danger on and around Vicarage Road. I am aware that some have been stopping on the double yellow lines to drop off or pick children up. Some too have been pulling up onto the pavement in vehicles so that parents with small children have had to walk on the road when arriving at or leaving school whilst others have been leaving cars in areas of restricted parking causing disruption to our neighbours.

You may or may not be aware that, despite our continued efforts, over the last few years there have been a few occasions where children or adults have been involved in accidents, two being fatal, on the roads around school. We continue to work with our School Crossing Patrol and our wider community to ensure the safety of our children on the pavements and roads around school. We clearly need everyone's support to keep our children safe.

I understand that we are somewhat limited with parking near the school gate but I must remind you of a key area where you can park for free and take the rest of your journey on foot. There is parking available on Scammell Way. Alternatively, we would encourage you to walk to and from school.

Please also see a message from our School Crossing Patrol, regarding their 'Stop means stop' campaign, attached.

Thanks in advance of your cooperation and understanding

Warm regards,

Sebastian Gray
Headteacher

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