Dear Parent/Guardian,

For a number of years there have been intermittent problems outside the school gates regarding the inconsiderate, dangerous and illegal parking of vehicles during the arrival and collection period of pupils at this school.

More recently due to pupils returning to school after the Covid lockdown period we have noticed an increase in parking issues making it unsafe for pupils outside of school. This has left us with no choice but to impose **fixed penalty notices on illegally parked vehicles** and we will now be strictly enforcing this initiative through regular patrols during the material times.

Driveways in the area must never be blocked in, pavements must not be parked on, any single or double yellow line restrictions adhered to and road junction corners must not be obstructed.

The school have been in consultation with West Midlands Police regarding this matter for some time and it has now been decided that the **police will no longer act leniently by offering advisory warning tickets** as we feel that offending drivers have now been provided ample opportunity to redress their poor and thoughtless behaviour.

As pupils will be offered staggered intake and departure times we suggest you only arrive when it's your child's dedicated time to ensure no loitering and no vehicles parked for an unacceptably lengthy period of time which will then create available space for the next staggered intake.

Give yourself sufficient time to ensure you arrive within your earmarked time slot and if you live within walking distance then we encourage and appreciate that you do not use your vehicle in order to avoid unnecessary congestion on the road.

We cannot emphasise the importance of parking in a careful and considerate manner whilst adhering to parking regulations as this makes the school safer for your children to access.

I hope that you can support this intervention which will help to make the school and the surrounding area a more safer and protective environment.

Kind Regards,

West Midlands Police