



Beaconside Primary & Nursery School

Friday 18th September.

Dear parents and carers.

Over the past week we have received a number of complaints from local residents and parents about dangerous and inconsiderate parking close to school. Vehicles have been blocking driveways, parking on double yellow lines and zig-zag markings, and creating hazards for pedestrians and pupils. I have also been told of residents being spoken to abusively when they have challenged drivers.

I appreciate that parking near school is limited and that school runs are stressful. However, we cannot put parking ahead of pupil safety or the rights of people to access their homes. Please read and follow the requests below so that everyone — pupils, parents, staff and neighbours — stays safe and respected.

What we are asking you to do

Park only in permitted spaces and do not stop on double yellow lines, zig-zag markings, school entrances or across driveways. Do not park on pavements where it forces pedestrians (including children, pushchairs and wheelchair users) into the road. If you are asked politely by a resident to move, please do so calmly.

Where possible, walk, cycle, park a short distance away and walk the final part, or consider a designated drop-off point to avoid congestion at peak times.

When to contact the police

Please contact the police if the parking is creating an immediate danger or involves abusive or violent behaviour. Examples include:

A vehicle parked in a way that is creating an immediate hazard to pupils or other road users.

A vehicle blocking access to an individual property so the resident cannot leave or access their home.

Any incident where you, the driver, or a resident feel threatened or where a crime is being committed.

You may also use the West Mercia Police Operation SNAP resource to report photographic evidence of dangerous driving and antisocial behaviour. <https://www.westmercia.police.uk/police-forces/west-mercia-police/areas/west-mercia/campaigns/campaigns/2019/operation-snap/>

When to contact the council (civil enforcement)

Please report civil parking breaches (for example parking on double yellow lines or other Traffic Regulation Order [TRO] contraventions) to the council's parking enforcement. For parking in the Bromsgrove area, please contact Wychavon District Council Parking Services:

Phone: 01386 565009 (Monday–Friday, 9.00am–5.00pm)

Email: parking@wychavon.gov.uk

When contacting the council, give: the exact location, the type of restriction being breached (e.g. double yellow lines), vehicle registration and time — this helps a Civil Enforcement Officer to take action.

How the school will help

We will remind parents regularly about safe parking in our newsletters and at drop-off/pick-up times.

We will continue to report persistent problems to the local authority and the police where appropriate.

Working together, we can keep our pupils safe and maintain good relations with the local community.

Yours Sincerely,
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