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Dear Parents and Carers,

Further to information sent on our newsletter dated 22nd November 2024, we are writing to make a plea to you to consider the safety of our children at the beginning and end of the school day.

Once again it has been reported by a parent that yesterday morning, prior to the school gates being opened at 8:40am, a parent had parked on the double yellow lines and the child had got out of the car and ran straight across the road resulting in an oncoming vehicle having to brake to avoid hitting the individual. Fortunately on this occasion no-one came to any harm, but it could have ended very differently.

This term we have already had a road safety assembly by PCSO Phil Wright as well as class workshops and lessons on keeping safe. As parents I am pleading with you to reinforce road safety messages with your children, by modelling the safe crossing of roads. We have controlled crossings at both ends of the roads near school, please use those instead of crossing between parked cars.

We have previously mentioned responsible parking around the school area. We have an agreement with Morrisons for the use of their car park, just a short walk from school. Parking on the double yellow lines opposite the school gates is specifically for blue badge holders. However, there is also a residents driveway directly opposite the school that should be kept clear at all times. If you are a blue badge holder, please ensure this is visible on the dashboard upon exiting your vehicle and once again please use the pedestrian crossing.

Whilst as a school we are not responsible for enforcing parking regulations, the safety of our children is of the utmost importance and we want to ensure that we are doing all we can to limit the risks of a serious incident occurring.

Thank you in advance for your support in this matter

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