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Dear Parents and Carers

Parking

The vast majority of parents and carers are brilliant and supportive by parking safely and carefully, this is a plea to those two to three parents who are continuing to park or drop off on double yellow lines, zigzags and across the pavement. This is endangering pupils and parents lives, especially when parents have to step into the busy road with pushchairs because they can't walk safely down the pavement.

Covid-19 has presented many challenges for schools including organising socially distanced drop-offs and pick-ups, and we do not have the capacity to police the roads outside school. In line with advice from the local authority and the police we are advising parents and neighbours to report unsafe and inconsiderate parking (on the pavement) to the police. To read more about Operation Parksafe please follow this [Link](#) or visit the Dudley.gov website:

<https://www.dudley.gov.uk/news/police-to-take-action-on-dangerous-school-parking>

Dudley Council's new initiative, 'Operation Park Safe', is to help make roads around schools safer places for all. The initiative asks parents and residents to be the 'eyes and ears' of the police, who will review any evidence of unsafe or inconsiderate parking which has been sent in to them. The police will review the photographs and evidence and will take action accordingly. This action may be in the form of fixed penalty notices or court action. The information sent to them will be treated in the strictest of confidence.

As you are aware, we regularly remind our parents to park safely and considerately and do receive communications from our neighbours regarding parking issues. These concerns have escalated recently as neighbours have made us aware that cars are parking over their drives, on lawns and up on the pavement so that wheelchairs, pushchairs and pedestrians can't pass safely. The 'Operation Park Safe' scheme is aimed at reducing the risks on the roads around our school. Please park safely and considerately otherwise you may receive a fine if a member of the public takes a photograph and sends it to the police.



Thank you for your understanding in this matter, as a school we want our community to be safe.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'D Simpson', followed by a long horizontal line.

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