

## **Re. School Parking**

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Since the start of the school year, the Winnersh Neighbourhood Team have seen an increase in complaints with regards to the parking problems at this school; both in the morning during drop off and in the afternoon during pick up.

The concerns raised are connected to the safety of the children, parents, school staff and local residents. There are also concerns that emergency vehicles would have difficulty accessing locations in the vicinity of the school should the need arise.

We are therefore writing to you to politely remind you to take care when parking and ensure you are not parking either dangerously, illegally or inconsiderately. We understand that for some of you, driving your children to school is the only option, but we urge you consider other methods where possible to relieve traffic outside of the school.

Walking, cycling, and lift sharing are all possible options. If you have no option but to drive, please take a moment to think how your parking might impact the local residents. Please do not block driveways, park on bends or either side of junctions ensuring you abide to all road restrictions which are in place.

We will be carrying out patrols of the area during school pick up and drop off times and for any parking that we consider to be causing an obstruction, Fixed Penalty Notices will be issued.

In conclusion, the Winnersh Neighbourhood Police Team do appreciate that the majority of the parents walk or drive responsibly to school. Thank you for your good example; we can all take responsibility and work together in ensuring this school area is a safe place for those who attend.

Should you wish to discuss any of the above, please do not hesitate to contact the team using the above email address.

Yours sincerely,

Winnersh Neighbourhood Police Team Bracknell and Wokingham LPA