



Dear Parents and Carers

We have had a number of concerns raised by parents and members of our school community in recent weeks about unsafe and inconsiderate parking in the areas outside of school.

We have looked at the issues and agree with the concerns raised that our children and families are being put at risk by some irresponsible parking. Children and families are being put at risk by cars parked on dipped kerbs, where people are meant to cross the road. They cannot see around the cars to cross safely and are having to step out into the road to be able to see. The Highway Code states that cars should not be parked within 10 metres of a junction – parking tickets can be issued to motorists who do this.

Cars parked on the pavement are causing an obstruction to wheelchair users or parents with pushchairs, they are forced to go into the road placing themselves and road users at risk. The Highway Code states that motorist should not park on the pavement unless signs permit it.

We are also aware that some drivers, when waiting for their children, are leaving their car running while they wait. When this happens, the air outside our school is unnecessarily polluted around the head height of children as they leave school. Please do turn off your engines if you must wait near the school.

Cars parked across driveways mean local residents are unable to leave or gain access to their property. Please park so that you are not blocking driveways, other vehicles or the entrance and exit to the parking area. Ensure that when you are parked, you are not on a dipped kerb where families will be crossing – usually marked by slabs with raised spots.

There are two options to “Park and Stride” – you can park at The Billesley on Wheelers Lane or at Corks on Alcester Road and walk to school. Using these options will reduce the number of cars around school and make travel safer for children and families.

We all need to work together to ensure that our children and families can travel to and from school safely. We appreciate your co-operation with this matter.

If you see unsafe parking, it can be reported on 101 or to the police twitter feed @MoseleyHeathWMP.

Thank you

Wheeler's Lane Primary School