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Dear Parents/Carers,

Limiting access to vehicles on the school site

I am writing today to inform you of a change to the way which we manage the school site which will affect any parents/carers who currently drive their children to or from school.

From Tuesday 20th September 2022 we will be limiting vehicle access to the school site in order to improve safety and reduce the risk to our students and staff. This decision has come as a result of a gradual increase in the numbers of cars using the turning circle, in both the morning and afternoon, which in turn has led to a number of concerns for safety. The main concerns which have influenced our decision are:

- Vehicles travelling at speeds well in excess of the stated site limit of 5 mph
- Drivers failing to exercise due caution, leading to near misses with pedestrians
- Vehicles parking on the turning circle, footpaths, blocking emergency access roads or parking within the bus bay
- Vehicles parking with their engines running, leading to poor localised air quality for our students and staff

Parents/Carers whose children have EHCPs and attend the Lavinia Norfolk Centre will still be allowed to drop off and pick up on site and will be issued with a permit to do so (which we ask is displayed on the dashboard for easy identification).

Parents/carers whose children have temporary mobility issues (such as using crutches following an operation/accident) will be issued with a temporary permit to ensure they can access the site also.

All other vehicles will need to remain outside the school site between the hours of 8:00 and 9:00 a.m. and then again between 15:00 and 15:45 p.m. If you are coming to the school between the hours of 9:00 and 15:00 you will be able to access the turning circle and visitor parking as normal.

We would like to remind you that there is a designated turning circle just outside the Bramley Green gate where you are still welcome to drop your children. They can then walk directly through the Bramley Green entrance into school.

We appreciate that closing the front turning circle will mean students walking a short distance onto/off the school site but hope that you will understand that this is a small price to pay to ensure the safety of our students and staff.

We would ask that you give due consideration to all local residents when dropping off or picking up your children from the local roads. It is important that residents retain access to their driveways and are not put at any increased risk due to this change. Your ongoing consideration is much appreciated.

This change comes into force from Tuesday 20th September 2022.

As ever we appreciate your support and understanding.



Simon Liley,
Headteacher