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Dear Parent/Carer

Parking Issues – School Lane

It has come to the school's attention that there are an increasing number of cars accessing School Lane at pick up and drop off times. Yesterday there was an incident where a vehicle mounted the pavement to get past a coach which had returned to school after taking the Infant School pupils on a school visit. Although no one was hurt, I am sure you will appreciate this was far from ideal and could have caused significant harm to adults and children getting on and off the coach. It is also illegal.

I would like to remind all parents that they should be using the surrounding roads to park, not School Lane. If you have a Blue Badge and require a permit to park in the Junior School car park please contact the School Office. However, please note that spaces are limited and having a permit does not guarantee a space. No vehicles, other than those belonging to staff are authorised to park in the car park.

Several parents have expressed their concerns about the vehicles driving up and down School Lane, and again this morning there was an incident where a driver dropped off a child outside our school gates and then reversed all the way back up School Lane. This type of driving is extremely unsafe.

The local police have been informed of the recent events. They are very concerned about the behaviour of drivers using School Lane and will be working closely with both the Infant and Junior schools to ensure the safety of the children and adults accessing the school site.

I would be grateful for your support in this matter. In addition, if any family members or friends who would not directly be sent this communication, but who drop off or collect your children, please kindly share this information with them.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R O'Hearn', written over a horizontal line.

Ryan O'Hearn
Headteacher