

TOWERVIEW PRIMARY SCHOOL



Safe Parking Policy

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Purpose:

To ensure the safety of all pupils, staff, and visitors by regulating parking and traffic flow within the school grounds.

This policy applies to all parents, guardians, staff, and visitors of Towerview Primary School.

General Guidelines:

No parking is allowed within the school grounds during drop-off and pick-up times, except for authorised vehicles.

Parents and guardians are encouraged to park outside the school grounds and walk their children to the school gates to promote a healthier lifestyle and ensure safety.

Authorised Vehicles:

Only vehicles with a blue disability badge assigned specifically to the child or those with a physical or medical statement of need and pre-arranged childcare organisations are permitted to use the school grounds for drop-off or pick-up. Drop-off for Breakfast Club within the school grounds is allowed as usual. Vehicles are permitted to enter the school grounds for the collection of children from after-school clubs at 3:50 PM, especially during the dark winter months.

Safety Measures:

Pupils in Key Stage 1 or 2 (P3 upwards), that are capable, should walk from the school entrance to their classrooms unaccompanied in the mornings.

Pupils in the senior school (P4+), that are capable, should meet their parents at the school gates or a pre-arranged frequent parking place nearby.

Mr. Boyd, the Buildings Supervisor, when possible, will continue to monitor the school gate to ensure safety.

Prohibited Actions:

Parents and guardians must refrain from driving into the school grounds unless they have received direct permission from the school.

Vehicles must not drive over the zebra crossing when nursery families are on it. Parking on the bus stop or in disabled parking spaces without authorisation is strictly prohibited.

Reporting and Compliance:

Any incidents of verbal abuse towards staff or other drivers, or damage to vehicles within the school car park, must be reported immediately.

The school encourages families to contact their local MLA and the Education Authority to advocate for improved and safer access to the school grounds.

Conclusion:

The removal of parking convenience within the school grounds is aimed at keeping hundreds of families and children safe. The cooperation and support of all parents, guardians, and visitors are essential in maintaining a safe environment for everyone.

Contact Information:

For any questions or concerns regarding this policy, please contact the school office.

