

Dear Parents/Carers,

Parking near school and considerate road use

Every year, Lincolnshire County Council (LCC), Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership (LRSP), and Lincolnshire Police receive letters and emails from schools, residents, and parents of pupils highlighting concerns with inconsiderate, and often illegal parking by parents and guardians accessing the school in the mornings and afternoons.

This can include parking on the zig-zag lines painted outside of school sites and parking across private driveways.

An area with yellow painted zig zags with the wording 'Keep Clear' on the road surface is known as a School Safety Zone (SSZ). A SSZ has been installed because of the risk of incident and injury caused to pedestrians. They are put in place to deter parking in this area around the start and end of the school day. Many of these SSZs are legally enforceable, therefore any vehicles parked on and within these zones can be ticketed and fined by the LCC enforcement team. Sections of road where a single yellow or double yellow line is in situ, can also be enforceable should drivers decide to park there.

When vehicles are parked illegally causing a danger, for example on a pedestrian crossing (including the area marked by the zig-zag lines), Lincolnshire Police can also take enforcement action.

Parking concerns can be highlighted to Lincolnshire County Council by filling in a form at www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/parking, and clicking on the Parking Enforcement link.

You can help!

Enforcement is a last resort, and everyone can help to ensure children have a happy and safe journey into and out of school each day. Where possible, please consider taking one of the following actions:

- 1. Walking from further away wherever possible. Not only is this a healthy way to get some exercise, but it supports the local community with congestion. In addition, it is much better for the environment.**
- 2. Park responsibly. As with the majority of primary schools in the country, schools do not have a 'parent' car park. If you do need to drive to drop off or collect your child, please park considerately and ensure you are not obstructing drives, garages or access to roads. Please be respectful of school neighbours and remember that parking on zig-zag lines at any time during the day should be avoided.**

Drivers using roads outside of school have the important responsibility of ensuring that due care and attention is taken to ensure the safety of pedestrians accessing school sites, most of whom are children, our most vulnerable road users.

We ask for your continued support in helping to keep our children safe.

Yours faithfully,

Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership



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