

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

### SCHOOL EXPANSION

As you will be aware the expansion project is due to start. Thank you to those parents who attended the meeting this morning, which I know they found informative and helpful. Plans will be available for viewing on the school website and in the parent noticeboard for those who could not attend.

Over the February half term holiday the contractors, AM Griffiths, will be setting up the compound on the school site. The position of the extension is at the front of the current building. Fortunately this means that the work will be well away from current classrooms and the playground. Children, will therefore be able to continue their education with very little disruption.

There will be, however, some significant disruption to car parking. The compound requires a large area and means we will lose a number of car parking spaces. There will be some reconfiguration of the existing diagonal zone but it means that we will be functioning with a reduced number of parking spaces. As a consequence there will be no parking available to parents/carers including blue badge holders.

#### **The car park will be for school staff only.**

We realise that for some parents/carers this is going to be disappointing but the situation is unavoidable.

After half term, to avoid any unauthorised parking, the school gates will be closed at the following times:

- 8:15am to 9:15am
- 2:30pm to 3:30pm

We also need to ensure the safety of pedestrians on site, and we wish to keep parents/carers and children well away from the compound area. After half term the pedestrian gate by the exit barrier will be closed. Entrance into the school site will be via the pedestrian gate adjacent to Sporting Khalsa. Those of you coming from the Fibbersley/Wellington Place end of Noose Lane will need to walk along the pavement in front of the school to the far gate, you will not be able to cut across the car park. All school gates will be closed during drop-off and pick-up times so this will be your only access point.





It is inevitable that these changes are going to put some extra pressure along Noose Lane and some surrounding roads. The council are making some improvements to the memorial car park, which will provide additional parking. We are however relying on parents/carers to do as much as they can to ensure the safety of everyone.

Please follow these guidelines:

- Where possible walk to school
- Please use designated parking areas in the locality
- Do not park or wait on the zigzag zone or the double yellow lines around school
- Avoid parking in the driveway of the sports club as this forces pedestrians to walk out onto the road
- Do not park or wait across the school entrances/exits or residents driveways
- Do not park on pavements or grass verges

One phase of the project is to build a brand new reception area. This is not planned in the first few weeks, but will involve temporary relocation of the entrance to the school. As soon as we have further information on this stage of the building work we will let you know what impact this will have and when it will be happening.

We are extremely lucky to be having a modern, new extension to the school. As always there is disruption with a project of this scale, but the location of the build and the measures we are putting in place will ensure that the school site is kept safe and that there will be minimal interruption to your children's education.

We know we can rely on your for your support, cooperation and patience during the next few months.

Yours sincerely,

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