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Dear Parents and Carers

Safety on the Roads around School

Please help us keep all our children safe.

Drop off and Pick Up

I must ask you not to bring your car past the turning to Yeld Close. Please pass this message on to all people who bring your child to school. It is not safe to have cars around the school gates. You must not use our school entrance to drop off your child or to turn round.

A sign has been placed on the road to remind drivers, but this has been ignored. There have been accidents in the past where children have been knocked over by cars near the school gates and I am very worried this will happen again.

Please use our informal one-way system. Drive down Stoney Close and exit by driving up Yeld Close. Please park considerately, making sure no drives are blocked. Even better, please walk to drop off and pick up. Is it a little more inconvenient but safer and healthier.

If you have a disability that means you need to use the car park, please let me know. You are welcome to use the carpark between 9.30am and 3pm. Arrangements for wrap-around care are different.

Crossing Yeld Road

DCC have confirmed that the Crossing Patrol Person who retired last year, will not be replaced. I have had several reports recently of children running across the road without looking. It is particularly hazardous at the moment as there is an increase in the number of vehicles parked in connection with the building work at the end of Stoney Close. We have shown all our children a video about crossing roads safely and talked this through with both classes. Please talk to your children about this.

Sarah Owens