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Dear Parents/Carers

As all children have now returned to school we are experiencing the inevitable increase in the volume of traffic and are once again receiving complaints and concerns from parents, children and local residents on a daily basis.

Most of the concerns are regarding inconsiderate and unsafe parking, including parking across resident's driveways and on junctions and corners which prevents the traffic from moving through the area safely. In addition to this, there have been many reports of disputes involving aggression and rudeness between adults, often in front of children.

Members of staff are outside of the school at drop off and pick up times daily and despite staff asking parents to be patient, considerate and kind to each other we are still witnessing daily disputes and dangerous behaviour.

As a school we do not have any control over the footpaths and roads around the school and therefore we appeal to you to support us in keeping the children and yourselves safe. However, we are in conversation with Milton Keynes Council, Walton Community Council and our ward councillors to look at possible solutions to the problem.

Can I remind you that parking, waiting or dropping off on the zig zag lines outside school contravenes code 48 – parking in a restricted area. The yellow zig zag lines are legally enforceable. Parking further away from school and walking a short distance to alleviate the congestion immediately outside the school would be very much appreciated.

To summarise and to help keep our children safe:

- **DO** park with consideration for the safety of other road users and local residents if it is really necessary for you to drive to school
- **DO** use the zebra crossing or a safe place to cross in front of school
- **DO** supervise your children when crossing the road
- **DO** park away from the school and walk a little way
- **DO** walk to school whenever possible
- **DO** speak to your children about road safety.
- **DO NOT** let children exit the car onto the road side
- **DO NOT** park, stop or drop off children on the zig zag lines
- **Do treat each other with respect, kindness and show responsibility as good examples to your children. These are three of our school values.**

We thank you for your continued support in this matter.

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