



# Nailsea School

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**To: All Parents and Carers**

Dear Parent/Carer

**Re: Parking Issues on School Site**

I am writing to remind parents, and inform any new parents, that it is an expectation that parents should not be driving into the school car park when dropping off or collecting their children. There has been an increasing number of parents who are driving into the main car park which is causing a lot of congestion at the start and end of the school day. This congestion causes safety issues for all of the school community.

I would ask for parental support in making a change in this practice by planning to drop off or by parking further away from school.

Your child may need to walk a bit further from your car to school but this will improve the safety of all students.

If there is a physical need for students or parents to park/drop off on school site, naturally, this will be accommodated through contacting your child's Head of House.

In addition, whilst writing, I would like to remind parents of the following:

- The speed limit in the school car park is **5 MPH** and this is the expected speed at which cars should travel over the speed bumps. This speed is set in the interest of the safety of pedestrians using this car park. On more than one occasion, we have seen near misses due to parents driving too quickly.
- Please do not block cars already parked or double park your car as this is a hazard to other vehicles entering and exiting our car park and therefore could endanger our students when they are exiting our school. It has been noted that this is becoming a specific issue around the turning circle at the front of the car park nearest the school.
- We have a number of mini buses and taxis that use our parking facilities and therefore in the interest of safety other vehicles should not use the car park until after 3.30 pm. The bus bay/drop off point is used for these vehicles and so should not be a place to park cars.
- Sixth formers should note there are no parking areas allocated for their vehicles in the car park.

Our only concern is to create a safer environment for our students as they arrive at and leave school.

Thank you, in advance, for working with us to create a culture where children's safety is our priority and unsafe parking is seen as unacceptable.

Yours faithfully

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