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Dear Parent/Carer

## Driving on to School Site During the School Day

Following a number of near misses between pedestrians and vehicles on site since the start of the new academic year, I would like to remind all parents that it is school policy for students in all years, including 6<sup>th</sup> form, to be dropped off and picked up outside the school's boundaries. The exceptions to this are:

- Students arriving on school organised transport (eg coach/taxi)
- Students that have either long or short term medical needs (eg. on crutches)
- Between 09:00 and 14:30 when a student is being collected/returned due to an offsite appointment or going home due to illness
- After 15:30 due to attending a sports fixture or other school event

If you are concerned about dropping off and/or collecting near the Mizzymead Road entrance then please consider using the Ash Hayes Drive or Station Road entrances, these entrances are open until 08:40 (start of first lesson) and then again at 14:45 until c.17:00.

Please note that running late is not considered an exception and experience has shown that this has been a contributing factor to near misses in the past as vehicles tend to be driven faster and above the schools 5mph speed limit.

In the interest of both staff and student safety the school would be grateful if you could please observe the school's policy on the above.

Whilst writing I would also like to remind parents of 6<sup>th</sup> form students that although having possibly passed their driving test the school policy only permits 6<sup>th</sup> form parking on site for those students that live outside the BS48 postcode area. A permit system is being introduced for those that live outside this area and can be applied for through the Head of 6<sup>th</sup> Form.

Yours faithfully

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