

HUNGERHILL LANE

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Dear Parents/Carers,

## Re: Update

Please find attached further information regarding the traffic issues that we are still experiencing both before and after school. Please can we ask parents/carers to read this and action where appropriate, so that we can keep both the school and local community safe.

In addition, I would like to take this opportunity to thank parents/carers for their support over recent weeks. I am sure that you are aware that, like most schools, we are currently experiencing staffing absence which is creating capacity issues. Unlike other local schools, we have been able to keep the school fully open, but we have had to make timetable changes and at times it is cover/supply who are taking lessons. This also impacts on other areas of the school and as a consequence we have had to make the decision to close the main car park gate from 3.00-3.20pm, to free up key staff to support in opening the school gates.

Finally, Mrs Wagstaff, Assistant Headteacher, has asked me to inform parents/carers about the reason for her absence, as she would like both parents/carers and students to know that she has been diagnosed with cancer. She very much wants to be back at school and already feels a strong connection with the students in her tenure. As a school, we wish her a speedy recovery over the coming months and look forward to welcoming her back.

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Mrs L Pond Headteacher

Yours sincerely

Mr P Storev **Deputy Headteacher** 

Mrs J Laidlaw **Deputy Headteacher** 



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## Hungerhill Parking Policy - Creating a Safer School Environment

Car parking at the beginning and end of the school day is an issue for most schools. At Hungerhill School we work with the Local Council and Residents to improve local road safety. Hungerhill strives for its students to have high regard for the environment (both global and local) and the school wishes to be a safe place and a responsible neighbour.

## Dangers from the school-run traffic in our local area include:

- Higher traffic volume close to the school
- Cars parked causing obstruction to the line-of sight of drivers on the road and/or within the bus bay, especially near junctions
- Cars parked across driveways and lowered kerbs, which blocks access for those with reduced mobility and pushchairs
- Double/triple parking, three point turns and cars pulling in/away near to the school entrance and in the bus bay
- Parking in the central reservation of the bus bay causing obstructions to the line-of-sight of drivers and students
- Parents/carers stopping in the middle of the bus bay road and dropping/picking up their children

We are aware that many students travelling to the school do so by Public Transport and Hungerhill actively encourages students to do this where possible. We do recommend that where students live in close proximity to the school that they ride in on bikes or walk with friends. Students wishing to ride on bikes, do require a bike permit and must follow our cycling code of conduct. The school has enclosed fencing and spaces for bikes to be parked at the users own risk.

## A Reminder of Key Points from the Highway Code:

- You must not park on the zig-zag school entrance markings (Section 238)
- You must not leave your vehicle in a dangerous position or where it causes any unnecessary obstruction of the road (Section 242)
- **Do not** park within 10m of a junction (Section 243)
- **Do not** park obstructing the entrance to a property (Section 243)
- **Do not** park where the kerb has been lowered (Section 243)

Remember it is *illegal* to stop on the school entrance yellow 'zig-zag' lines, on double yellow lines or to cause unnecessary obstructions to traffic. Please be aware that any vehicles found parking inconsiderably or causing an obstruction risk receiving a Fixed Penalty Notice for a parking offence (please see the Highway Code).

Most parents and carers are considerate on the school-run at Hungerhill. To ensure the safety of our children please take note of this advice, plan your journey with enough time to park



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If you have any road-safety concerns, you would like to discuss with the school please contact us via the Contact Us page on the website. Thank you for helping to keep our school and neighbourhood a safe place for all.





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