Hungerhill School: Parking Policy – Creating a Safer School Environment



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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-ofsight 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 carefully and considerately. Please also pass this information on to any other adults who drop off or collect your child(ren) from school.



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.

