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Dear Parents/Carers

### **Traffic Congestion at Hungerhill School**

I am writing to let you know that we will be implementing some changes to the flow of traffic in and out of Hungerhill School.

Over recent weeks, the build up of traffic has reached levels which we consider pose a risk to your children. There has recently been one minor accident and several other near misses. We have a duty to keep your children safe and this includes when they are entering and exiting the site at the beginning and end of the school day.

We are seeing parents/carers parking cars along Hungerhill Lane, on the grass verges, in the school bus areas and on the yellow zig zag lines. This has resulted in the school buses being unable to pass to collect children. When our staff are trying to manage this situation, we are seeing poor behaviour from some individuals which has escalated to verbal assault of our staff. In addition, we are also witnessing individuals behaving unacceptably towards each other on our school grounds and in full view of our students – this has included aggressive behaviour and use of foul language.

I have taken advice from the local authority and our legal representatives and am working with Highways Department with the intention of implementing a permanent barrier solution to control access to and from the school grounds. This will mean that the turning circle off Hungerhill Lane will be closed to traffic other than school buses.

The Headteacher has agreed that, in order to keep your children safe, strategies will be implemented in the interim to try and control the flow of pupils in and out of the building. This may mean that children in Years 7 and 8 leave the building slightly earlier however the school will inform you of the plans in place and when these will be implemented.

The end of the school day is more problematic than the start of the day – in the morning children are dropped off at school over a lengthy period. Our biggest concern however is the end of the school day when many parents arrive at the same time and the amount of traffic

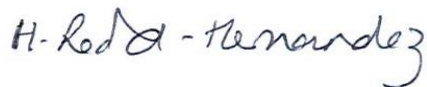
entering the grounds is excessive and unauthorised, with some drivers paying no regard to signage and the highway code.

I appreciate that some parents chose for their children not to attend school via the school bus during the pandemic and it is possible that this has added to the increased volume of traffic. I would therefore ask that you consider alternative methods for your children coming to and from school including use of the school bus, walking, or car sharing with neighbours and friends whose children also attend the school.

I am writing to parents now to advise all the above as you need to be aware that there will be much stricter enforcements in place until the permanent solution is implemented. You may wish to consider alternative arrangements now. You should be aware that parking enforcement officers may be on our site and will issue parking fines.

I know you will understand that it has been necessary for us to take this action as the safety of your children is as important to us as it is to you, and I would like to thank you for your support in this.

Yours sincerely



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