



14th October 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

I wanted to make to update parents and seek your support regarding the pavement works that are ongoing outside the school and managing the exit at the end of the school day.

Firstly, I have spoken to the foreman about the work and asked for their support in addressing the challenge in crossing the road to go to Wentworth Road with the current set up making it difficult to manage a safe crossing. He is in communication with his supervisors about how they may be able to support this and I hope that will make it easier from this afternoon. I am told that they will have cleared the majority of the work by Thursday or Friday and so hopefully the traffic and congestion will ease after the half-term break.

While it is exacerbated by the current situation, please can I ask for your support in the following ways:

Firstly, there are always staff out at the gate at the end of the day providing a safe place to cross. Despite this, some children are impatient to wait a moment for a safe crossing at that point and walk down the path and cross at a less safe crossing point. Please reinforce with your son or daughter the reason we are there is to support safe crossing of the road. Our hi-vis clothing supports us being seen better by those in cars.

Secondly, it is made considerably less safe when parents pull up or three point turn on Tithe Pit Shaw Lane in the area beside the school gates. Some of the closest near misses have come from our own parents pulling out or reversing and not seeing other children making their way into or out of the school. Please can I ask parents to find a safer place to drop students and to avoid manoeuvring in the area by the school gates in support of keeping all children safe.

On a separate note, please can I take this opportunity to mobilise your support in ensuring that all children are coming to school in raincoats and/or with umbrellas as the weather at the moment is unpredictable and wet. On the gate this morning, there were a surprisingly large number of students without either a coat or an umbrella, despite the heavy rain.

Thank you for your support in making sure your son or daughter is dressed appropriately for the weather, for your care and consideration at drop off and collection and your support in ensuring that students cross the road safely with the support of staff.

Kind regards

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