



Parking Services

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Dear Headteacher

Re Parking issues outside schools

In light of the number of complaints we receive about inconsiderate – and in many cases dangerous – parking around schools during drop off and pick up times we have been considering options as to how best we can deter people from parking where there are restrictions in place.

I am writing to you as your school has been identified as one where we have had problems with cars parking on yellow lines in the past. It has been decided in the first instance that at the start of the new school year we will try to resolve this by removing the discretionary observation period which is generally afforded before a penalty charge notice (PCN) would be issued to a vehicle that is parked on a single or double yellow line.

This means that any vehicle parking on a yellow line restriction near to a school during the morning or afternoon pick up / drop off will be liable to be served with a penalty charge notice instantly, rather than the civil enforcement officer having to wait 5 minutes before they can issue the PCN.

It is hoped that this will improve the parking problems in the vicinity, and make the journey to and from school safer for children and parents, and be of benefit to other road users and nearby residents.

As this is a significant change to our procedures it may be prudent for this information to be passed on to parents before the start of the 2017/18 school year.

Yours sincerely

Mrs E Morris
Senior Parking Officer