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Dear Parents and Carers,

I appreciate the school is placed in the middle of a residential area on what can now be described as a main road with three busy junctions, so parking is particularly difficult and I do understand that parking is a big issue for all schools. I regularly remind you to park with consideration of local residents but we continue to receive complaints. Residents and concerned parents are very unhappy at the continued disregard for the safety of parents, carers **and** children, as well as the disrespect shown to members of our local community. Residents are concerned about cars parked too close, and in some cases, across private driveways and of situations where they have been insulted when tackling inconsiderate behaviours.

It is with disappointment that I write again to request that you park with consideration for the residents of Goodwood Drive, Seaburn Road and Sandown Road and to prioritize the safety of all the children and adults of the school community.

- Parking on footpaths is both illegal and dangerous.
- Parking in front of people's garages and driveways is very inconsiderate even for only a few minutes.
- Blocking residents' drives is another example of lack of consideration for local residents. Please try to ensure we keep both your children and others safe through sensible and legal parking.

SHOW YOU CARE. PARK ELSEWHERE



I would like to respectfully ask that if you live too far from the school to walk could you please park a little further away from the school gates and walk the rest of the way into school. May I suggest that parents and carers use a "5 minute walking zone" rule. If it takes less than 5 minutes to walk from your parked car to the school gates then you have parked too close! We continue to encourage parents and carers to 'PARK AND STRIDE' from Greenwood Community Centre.





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I have recently been in contact with Rt Hon Anna Soubry MP on this matter who visited the school before the half term break to discuss my concerns. She has since contacted Nottinghamshire police who will be carrying out 'spot checks'. She will also be contacting the Chairman for Transport and Highways for Nottinghamshire County Council to consider any parking restrictions.

In the meantime, please remember that inconsiderate parking is an accident waiting to happen. Please help us to be a school within a safe and harmonious community. Many thanks in anticipation of your cooperation in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

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