

Keeping Our Pupils and Families Safe Around Kirkhill Primary School: Parent/Carer Information



Over the past few months it has been highlighted that many members of our school community are driving and parking dangerously in and around our School grounds putting the safety of our pupils and families at risk! We are very concerned that the dangerous conditions as a result of this will result in one of our pupils or their family being seriously injured! WE NEED YOUR HELP!!

DID YOU KNOW?

We have a park and stride red zone around our school. Parents and carers are encouraged to park outside this zone while dropping off or collecting children and walk the remainder of the way to school! A copy of this map is in our Friday bundle this week!



TIPS FOR KEEPING KIRKHILL SAFE:

WALKING

- Plan ahead – our playgrounds are open and supervised from 8.45 a.m. if you arrive early you will not be rushing at the last minute.
- Broom Church kindly offers their car park for our parents and carers before and after school. Park here and walk in 3 minutes to Kirkhill.
- Encourage a healthy lifestyle and encourage your children to walk part of the way to school or even cycle or scoot.
- Park outside the red zone to keep the streets around the school vehicle free
- RESPECT our school crossing patrol, they are working their hardest to keep the members of our community safe.
- Watch your speed! Remember stopping distance and time reduces the faster you go. 20 is plenty!
- Please do not park in the bus bay! This causes disruptions to our bus service and makes it difficult for children to get on the bus safely.
- **Parking in disabled bays and the school car park is only for those with blue badges or a parking pass. Speak to the school office should you require one.**
- Please do not stop in the middle of the road or park on pavements, this can cause congestion and can be very dangerous.
- Don't park near corners as this restricts visibility for pedestrians.
- Do not park on areas used by the school crossing patroller. This leads to restricted visibility when assisting pupils across very busy roads.

Our Junior Road Safety Officers work hard all year round to help to make our school community safe for pupils coming to and from school. This year they have launched our travel plan which can be accessed here;

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/en/Kirkhill/files/2018/12/Travel-Plan-2018-Final.pdf>

Please read this with your family and discuss ways that you can all help to keep our community safe.

If you witness dangerous or irresponsible driving you can contact the police non-emergency number 101.

Thank you for your co-operation with this matter. As always please contact the school office should you wish to discuss any of this further.

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