

Woodhead Primary School

Safe Access to School

14th August 2018



Work on Phase 2 of the school building to create a nursery and additional classrooms has started over the summer holidays. To ensure the safety of all pupils, staff and visitors, this requires some changes to the playground access and car parking.

Access to Car Park

In consultation with the local authority and the site manager, it has been decided that parents **will not be able to access the school car park at the beginning and end of the school day** or when attending school events.

While we appreciate this will be frustrating, this is necessary due to the number of car parking spaces that have been removed to accommodate the safe perimeter of the building site and the creation of a temporary pedestrian walkway.

Please support this by:

- walking to school
- where possible, dropping off pupils in safe areas around the school
- following the instructions of staff who will supervise the car park and gates.

(We recommend Balmore Drive as a safer drop-off area and ask parents not to stop on Woodhead Crescent due to the high volume of traffic and lack of pedestrian footpaths).

Official school transport will be able to access the car park as normal.

The decision to restrict access to the car park has not been taken lightly and we appreciate your cooperation and understanding with this matter.

One-way system

With immediate effect, the direction of the one-way system has been reversed. Entry to the school car park is now at the 'MUGA Pitch' side of the campus.

MUGA Pitch Use

The building site perimeter entry to the MUGA Pitch from the playground. Throughout the duration of the building work, pupils will be unable to access the MUGA pitch during playtime and lunchtimes. Use of the MUGA pitch will continue as normal for PE lessons and after-school clubs.

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Pupil Entry to School

The pupil gate nearest Torhead will remain in use as normal throughout the building works.

The pupil gate beside the MUGA Pitch will not be in use throughout the duration of the building work. **Instead, pupils can access a temporary pupil gate at the corner of the school building near the main entrance.** A secure walkway has been created using safety barriers.

During the duration of the building work, parents/carers **will be permitted** to enter the school playground during drop-off and pick-up times. However, we ask that you wait back from the pupil doors. **Parents/carers are not permitted to enter the building via pupil doors.** If you wish to speak to a teacher, please make an appointment via the office.

Diagram of temporary changes to pupil access to school grounds:



We appreciate your understanding and co-operation during this time.

Questions or Comments about this information should be directed to:

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